



**TNW Board Minutes
May 13th, 2019 5:00 PM**

“If a child can’t learn the way we teach, maybe we should teach the way they learn.”

-Ignacio Estrada

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The current meeting agenda items are listed below. If you would like to bring an issue before the board please attend this meeting or a future meeting.

- 1) Meeting Called to Order**
- 2) Announce the recording of the meeting**
- 3) Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4) Mission Statement:**

TEACH-NW (Transforming Educational Access in Communities and Homes in the Northwest) is a K-12 Virtual STEAM and Homeschool Academy whose mission is to provide equitable, authentic, and rigorous learning opportunities that equip graduates with the necessary skills to compete in today’s global workforce.

- 5) Welcome and Introduction of guests**

- 6) [Consent Agenda](#) ***

Approval of [April Minutes](#)*

Shad Turner made a motion to approve April Minutes. Kara Lester seconded the motion to approve April Minutes. The vote to approve was unanimous.

Approval of [April Financials*](#)

Shad Turner made a motion to approve April Financials. Kara Lester seconded the motion to approve April Financials. The vote to approve was unanimous.

7) Petitions and Requests:

None at this time

- 8) Public Forum:** People may address the Board about any topic relevant to the District. Each speaker is limited to three minutes per board meeting within the 20 minutes allotted for Petitions and Requests. We ask speakers to remember that Oregon law prohibits the Board from discussing specific employees or students or their performance. Speakers will state their full name and the topic of comment.

9) New Business

- [TNW FY20 Calendar](#)

Mike Deeds made a motion to approve TNW FY20 Calendar. Kara Lester seconded the motion to approve TNW FY20 Calendar. The vote to approve was unanimous.

- Insurance:

- *BBSI: 1.98 %

Shad Turner made a motion to approve the BBSI package. Kara Lester seconded the motion to approve the BBSI package. The vote to approve was unanimous.

- PACT: 7%
- American Payroll: 2.8%

Adrienne DAddabbo shared information about the BBSI package, PACT package and American Payroll package. Phil Johnson shared that they are recommending the BBSI package to the board.

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10) Committee Reports

a) None at this time

11) Administrative Report

a) **Student of the Month:**

i) Secondary: Ella Ashford

We are pleased to announce that Ella Ashford has been chosen as the high school student of the month for April. She has many accomplishments both academically and socially. She is on track to graduate this year with an impressive 4.0. In addition to her academics, Ella has recently attended the First Robotics World Championship where she served as FIRST student ambassador giving tours to politicians, corporations, and foundations. She is engaged in FIRST Tech Challenge and the FIRST Robotics Competition and has been honored as a 2018 FIRST Dean's List Finalist where she was afforded the opportunity to represent Washington, Oregon and Alaska at the FIRST World Championships. Ella is also the CEO, pilot, electrical and software engineer on her MATE (Marine, Advanced, Technology, Education) underwater robotics team. They are currently ranked 4th in the world and are preparing for another successful competition season. Ella is an avid hiker, skier, and photographer who enjoys exploring the Pacific Northwest.



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Representing the Pacific Northwest at the FIRST Robotics World Championships by giving tours as a student ambassador to executives of the LEGO Foundation.



Winning 4th place at the International MATE ROV Competition.

Ella Ashford joined the board meeting as she was honored as the secondary student of the month for May.

ii) Elementary: Evan Staton

We are very proud to announce that fourth grader, Evan Staton, has earned Student of the Month for May! Evan has learned and grown by leaps and bounds this year, dedicated to learning as much as possible with joy and curiosity. He sets goals for himself and then works very hard to accomplish them, amazing us with the products of this efforts. Among his many talents are film-making and cartography. [Check out this beautiful map he made of Africa!](#) He also recently completed an extensive research paper on foals, sharing his expertise and knowledge with us in a very [well organized report](#). Most importantly, we recognize Evan as a self-motivated



learner with a positive attitude. As Evan states, "I love being a homeschool student at Teach NW because my principal, Phil, is the best principal ever because he's so nice and generous. My teacher, Erin, is really good because she helps me stay on track. I love riding dirt bikes during recess - that's the best part of homeschool."

Evan Staton joined the board meeting as he was honored as the Elementary student of the month for May.

A. Budget Report (Phil, Bill, and Adrienne)

- a. FY20 Budget proposal is complete and and undergone the first round of review by MSD Board and our budget committee rep (Shad). We will bring before board for approval in June.

Bill Watkins shared that they will hold a special budget meeting to approve FY20 Budget proposal.

B. TNW State Testing Scores Update - SBA/OAKS

- a. SBA ELA
- b. SBA Mathematics
- c. OAKS

Phil Johnson shared information about TNW's State Testing Scores for SBA and OAKS. Testing was successful and the results of the testing scores were very impressive. Testing was assessed at several different locations.

C. Current Enrollment: (308)

- (1) K-5: 196
 - (a) 32 (K)
 - (b) 36 (1st)
 - (c) 28 (2nd)
 - (d) 43 (3rd)
 - (e) 25 (4th)
 - (f) 32 (5th)

- (2) 6-8: (61)
- (a) 24 (6th)
 - (b) 25 (7th)
 - (c) 12 (8th)

- (3) 9-12: (51)
- (a) 18 (9)
 - (b) 9 (10)
 - (c) 11 (11)
 - (d) 12 (12)

Phil Johnson shared information about enrollment. TNW has started the process of inviting new enrollees.

- iii) **Activities and Programs:** We now have an activity calendar on our website: <https://www.marcola.k12.or.us/teach-nw/events/>. We're currently populating with scheduled events.

(1) May Scheduled Events:

(a) Robotics, LCC, Room 222. Every Thursday 2:00 - 4:00 PM.

(b) Guide Dogs for the Blind Tour

(i) **When: Thu, May 9, 10:30am – 11:30am**

(ii) **Where: 32901 SE Kelso Rd, Boring, OR 97009, USA**

Description: Please join us for a walking tour of the Guide Dogs for the Blind facility in Boring, Oregon. The tour will be Thursday, May 9th at 10:30am.

Students must be in 2nd grade or above to participate in the tour. Also, there are a maximum of 29 people who can attend the tour.

(c) Dual Credit Options at Lane Community College

(i) **When: Wednesday May, 15th, 11 AM and 2 PM**

- (ii) **Where:** LCC, Building 1
- (iii) **Description:** Join TNW and Mohawk HS on a tour of Lane Community College. We will also be attending an information session on sponsorship options for high school students to attend classes at Lane Community College. We will split students up into two groups - one at 11:00 and one at 1:00.

(d) Hopkins Homeschool & Forest Field Day

- (i) **When:** Thursday, May 16th, 8:30 AM-1:30 PM
- (ii) **Description:** This self-guided day will include a variety of grade-appropriate activities and educational stations spread across the 140-acre forest. Some stations will have staffed educator lead activities while others will be participant-led. All supplies will be provided at each station or to participants to checkout for the day.

(e) House on the Metolius 2019 Civil War Living History

- (i) **When:** Fri, May 17, 9am – 2pm
- (ii) **Description:** The Northwest Civil War Council will be on site in mid-May, for the fifth annual Civil War event here at House on Metolius. \$2 per person

Over 200 Civil War reenactors will present living conditions and circumstances of 1863. This is the fifth Civil War living history event held at the site and the only event of its kind in Central Oregon.

- (iii) Mock battles with cannons and muskets firing real black powder are scheduled for 11am and 3pm each day.

(f) Coyote Outdoor School

- (i) **When:** May 20th - 22nd

(g) TMK Dairy Farm Field Trip

- (i) **When:** Tue, May 21, 10am – 11am

(ii) **Description:** TMK Farm is a small, family farm that has enjoyed the privilege of dairying and continues diligently breeding for exceptional dairy genetics. The “dairy cow” has provided us the opportunity to cultivate some great friendships and exciting dairy genetics.

(iii) **It all starts on the farm.** We also have seasonal activities, cheese making on site and a dairy shop and store coming soon!

(h) Fort Vancouver

- (i) **Wednesday: 29th, 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM**

(ii) **Description:** Fort Vancouver National Historic Site is excited to offer educational opportunities that are woven into local school curriculum standards and provide a lifetime of memories for students! Programs extend over multiple grade levels (with a focus on 4th grade), so a student's involvement with the national park and its staff can be sustained and evolve over time. These programs offer the chance to experience the site through different lenses, fostering a sense of investigation, exploration, and stewardship. Nearly 20,000 students visit annually and experience the fur trade, early military life, industry, the Golden Age of aviation, and natural history in the context of the area's role in national

development. Fort Vancouver National Historic Site serves as the only national park in the Portland/Vancouver metropolitan area and is integrated into the local and regional education system.

- (iii) For an exciting and dynamic field trip program, classes team up with a ranger or volunteer on a walking tour of three different buildings within the reconstructed Fort Vancouver. This program focuses on the multiple ways we learn and experience history, while highlighting the many dynamic cultures of Fort Vancouver. Students will learn about the trade process and will also learn words and signs in Chinook Jargon. Chinook Jargon developed from indigenous and European languages to enable trade from the Pacific Northwest through to the western Plains.
- (iv) We offer this program to 35 students at a time, Tuesday through Thursday, at 9:30 am, 10:30 am, and 11:30 am. The field trip program begins with an introduction at the fort entrance gate and cycles through the Chief Factor's House, Fur Store, and Indian Trade Shop. The program last 50 minutes, with free time at the end for students to explore the rest of the fort and the park.

12) MSD Upcoming Events

[District Calendar](#)

Next TNW Regular Board Meeting, June 10th 2019 @ 5:00 pm

13) Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.

***Board Action**