

The Constitution of the Escambia County Council of Teachers of Mathematics

Article I: NAME

The name of the organization shall be the STEM Partnership of Northwest Florida herein referred to as STEM Partnership NWFL.

Article II: Mission

The mission of STEMP Partnership NWFL is:

Our mission is to empower K-12 STEM educators through collaboration, resource sharing, and community support, and to promote student engagement in extracurricular STEM activities.

Article III: MEMBERSHIP

Membership in this organization will be open to all who are interested in STEM and the teaching of STEM.

The membership fee shall be established by the Executive Board.
Individual dues shall be valid for one school calendar year.

Only members of STEM Partnership NWFL may hold office in or become appointed members of the Executive Board of STEM Partnership NWFL.

Only members shall be considered for recognition as Outstanding Teacher of the Year.

Article IV: OFFICERS

The officers of ECCTM shall be a President, President-Elect, Secretary, one math and one science Elementary School Representative, one math and one science Middle School Representative, one math and one science High School Representative, one Florida Association of Science Supervisors (FASS) Representative, and one Florida Council of Teachers of Mathematics Representative. The Math Specialist and Science Specialist will also be voting members of the Board. These officers will serve for up to three years, and may not serve consecutive terms (except for Math/Science Specialists). Officers may return after a year away. Vacancies occurring during a term in any of the above offices shall be appointed by the Executive Board.

The duties of these officers shall be as follows:

President – The President shall preside over all meeting of STEM Partnership NWFL and of the Executive Board, shall see that all provisions of the Constitution are fulfilled by appropriate officers and committee chairmen and shall serve as an ex-officio member of all committees.

President-Elect – The President-Elect shall assist the President in carrying out the work of the council, shall serve on the Executive Board, shall promote council membership,

and shall preside in the absence of the President.

Secretary – The secretary shall keep records and minutes of all ECCTM meeting and Executive Board meetings and shall be responsible for all correspondence and communications.

Math/Science Specialists – The Specialists shall maintain current financial and membership records and shall receive and disperse monies as authorized by the Executive Board. The Specialists will be responsible for maintaining an electronic membership list that will be shared with the Executive Board.

Elementary, Middle, and High School Representatives – The grade level directors shall assist the President in carrying out the work of STEM Partnership NWFL, shall serve on the Executive Board, and shall promote membership in the assigned grade level.

FCTM/FASS Representative – The FCTM/FASS Representative shall serve as a liaison between STEM Partnership NWFL and FCTM/FASS, shall promote the activities and memberships in FCTM/FASS, shall ensure availability of FCTM/FASS Educational materials, and shall serve as a resource person from STEM Partnership NWFL to FCTM/FASS.

Article V: ELECTIONS

Nominations for officers to the STEM Partnership NWFL shall be made to the Executive Board by members of ECCTM. The Executive Board shall prepare a slate of officers and present to the membership by September 15. Emailed ballots are to be due to the Executive Board for tabulation who will then report the results to the membership. Officers shall be chosen by a majority vote of the total number of votes cast for the office. In the event of ties, a run-off election will occur following the same procedure.

Article VI: EXECUTIVE BOARD

There shall be an Executive Board composed of the thirteen elected officers. The Executive Board shall convene, at the direction of the newly elected President, as soon as possible after election.

The Executive Board shall meet as directed by the President. A minimum of two weeks' notice shall be given prior to the meetings. The only exception to the two week notice shall be a meeting called by the President for emergencies.

It shall be the duties of the Executive Board:

- To add or amend by-laws to the STEM Partnership NWFL Constitution as necessary.
- To vote, on matters requiring a vote, either verbally or by ballot as determined by the President.

- To manage the affairs of the STEM Partnership NWFL.

- To appoint representatives to such organizations with which the STEM Partnership NWFL may be affiliated.

Article VII: AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended by a simple majority of the members present at any regular meeting of the STEM Partnership NWFL.

Article VII: PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES

All matters of procedure not specified in this constitution shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.

Article VIII: POLICIES

Any statement to the public made in the name of the STEM Partnership NWFL must be approved by the Executive Board.

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