

Northwest Bancshares, Inc.
Form 8-K
April 18, 2019

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 17, 2019

Northwest Bancshares, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland	001-34582	27-0950358
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File No.)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

100 Liberty Street	
Warren, Pennsylvania	16365
(Address of principal executive office)	(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (814) 726-2140

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4 (c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.07

Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders was held on April 17, 2019. The matters listed below were submitted to a vote of the stockholders through the solicitation of proxies, and the proposals are described in detail in the Company's definitive proxy statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 7, 2019. The final results of the stockholder votes are as follows:

Proposal 1 - Election of Directors

	For	Withheld	Broker Non-Votes
John P. Meegan	74,081,514	1,733,336	12,083,258
Timothy B. Fannin	73,923,116	1,891,734	12,083,258
Robert M. Campana	73,844,477	1,970,373	12,083,258
Mark A. Paup	68,608,862	7,205,988	12,083,258

Proposal 2 - Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The stockholders approved the ratification of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2019.

For	85,771,304
Against	1,964,825
Abstain	161,979
Broker Non-Votes	0

Proposal 3 - An advisory, non-binding resolution to approve executive compensation described in the Proxy Statement

The stockholders approved the proposal regarding the compensation of the named executive officers as disclosed in the Proxy Statement as follows:

For	72,023,015
Against	3,039,546
Abstain	752,289
Broker Non-Votes	12,083,258

Item 8.01 Other Events

On April 17, 2019, the Company made the slide presentation attached as Exhibit 99.1 to stockholders during its Annual Stockholders' Meeting.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable
- (b) Not applicable
- (c) Not applicable
- (d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
<u>99.1</u>	Slide presentation made to stockholders

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

NORTHWEST
BANCSHARES, INC.

DATE: April 18, 2019 By: /s/ William W. Harvey, Jr.
William W. Harvey, Jr.
Chief Financial Officer