

**Liaison Memorandum  
Number 23-05**

**To:** Agency Liaison and Payroll Officers

**From:** Trey Boudreaux  
Executive Director

**Re:** Candidates Announced for the 2023 LASERS Board Election

**Date:** July 26, 2023

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The nomination period for this year's Board of Trustees Election closed on July 11, 2023. Four active member candidates are eligible to run with three open seats to be filled. Four retired member candidates qualified with two open seats to be filled. A random drawing was held to determine ballot positions for the candidates.

**Active Member Candidates | Three Trustees to be elected. Listed in ballot order.**

1. **Laura Lapeze**, Department of Revenue
2. **Judge William Kleinpeter**, City Court of Port Allen
3. **Cortny Jarrell**, House of Representatives
4. **Pam Diez**, Department of Health

**Retired Member Candidates | Two Trustees to be elected. Listed in ballot order.**

1. **Virginia Burton**, Department of Revenue
2. **Kevin Shannahan**, Department of Health
3. **Beverly Hodges**, Department of Natural Resources
4. **Charles Castille**, Department of Health

[Click here](#) to view candidates' platforms and qualifications and the election schedule. LASERS members will be able to vote via mail, phone, or the Internet beginning September 22, 2023.

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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES:**

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Thomas Bickham  
Virginia Burton  
Charles F. Castille

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Ternisa Hutchinson  
Rep. Barry Ivey  
Judge William Kleinpeter

Amy A. Mathews  
Sen. Barrow Peacock, *Designee*  
Sen. Edward Price  
Hon. John Schroder

Bernard E. "Trey" Boudreaux, III, *Executive Director*