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## THE LAE LAUNCHES "IT'S TIME TO GET IT RIGHT" CAMPAIGN

INITIATIVE AIMS TO EDUCATE  
LOUISIANA COMMUNITIES  
ON PRO-PUBLIC EDUCATION  
CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR  
VARIOUS OFFICES

*It's time to get it right for...*  
**OUR SCHOOLS. OUR CHILDREN. OUR FUTURE.**

**TAKE A STAND  
with educators this  
election season!**

Make a commitment to  
support the candidates  
who champion Louisiana's  
public schools! Go to  
[itstimelouisiana.com](http://itstimelouisiana.com)  
to find out more.

This election season, the LAE and the LFT have teamed up on an initiative to spotlight individuals running for office who have a proven track record of supporting the best interests of Louisiana's public schools. The *It's Time to Get It Right* campaign focuses on reviewing the political platforms of the individuals running for Louisiana Governor, the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, and the Louisiana Legislature, and recommending those candidates who champion Louisiana's public school students.

"Louisiana voters have a unique opportunity to elect leaders to office who can truly transform this state," said LAE President

Debbie Meaux. "This is our chance to get it right...for our schools, our children, and the future of Louisiana!"

Candidate recommendations for each race will be posted on the website, [itstimelouisiana.com](http://itstimelouisiana.com). The site will help to promote candidates and their positions on important issues affecting Louisiana; additional social media will further extend the reach of media coverage and community activities in which candidates are involved. Interested parties are encouraged to "like" the *It's Time to Get it Right Louisiana* fan page on Facebook; follow the @ItsTimeLA2015 twitter handle; and subscribe to the *It's Time Louisiana* YouTube channel.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

## IMPORTANT DATES YOU NEED TO REMEMBER THIS ELECTION SEASON!

**EARLY VOTING**  
OCTOBER 10 – 17

**PRIMARY ELECTIONS**  
OCTOBER 24

**RUN OFF ELECTIONS**  
NOVEMBER 21

Check out [www.sos.la.gov](http://www.sos.la.gov) for polling locations and other important information regarding Louisiana's 2015 Elections.



# FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Debbie Meaux, President

As I'm sure you noticed, we're in election season—the most urgent of any that we've faced in the past. We are at a crossroads. The power to create positive change is in our hands; we can either choose to do so or we can continue on with more of the same.

As president of the LAE, I'm writing with a few heart-felt requests before the polls open. First, please make every effort to educate yourself. Take the opportunity to get to know the candidates. Learn about their positions so you understand their ideas. Attend candidate functions and watch the debates. The men and women elected to office have the power to affect your everyday lives. Make sure you trust the individuals for whom you vote. In order to help you in the process of discovery, the LAE's political action committee, the LAE Fund for Children and Public Education, created a one-stop-shop website with our list of recommended candidates, links to their websites, and other information that will allow you to better understand their positions on educational issues. You can take advantage of this resource by visiting [itstimelouisiana.com](http://itstimelouisiana.com). Secondly, I am asking you to get involved. Have you found a candidate whom you support? If so, help them in their efforts to drive their campaign message. Talk to your family members. Volunteer to make calls or put a candidate's sign in your yard. Show your support for the candidates you trust to make a difference for the people of Louisiana. Lastly, please consider donating to your chosen candidate(s). I know times are tough, but give what you can to the campaigns you truly believe in. Ten dollars makes a difference.

It seems as though our current administration has not made public education a priority—we all know our schools and our students are the most important priorities. If we elect the right men and women to office, we can turn the

tide on the top-down approach by which classroom professionals are currently managed. It's time to ensure professional educator voices are heard in the policy-making decisions implemented in the classrooms of Louisiana. It's time that our parents and communities are given a stronger say and have real opportunities to invest in our community schools. It's time that public schools are resourced and held to reliable standards that map out equitable criteria for success. It's time to stop closing schools based on the current "test and punish" regime led by an overreliance on standardized tests. It's time to give our children the tools they need to be successful in the 21st century. There are individuals running for Louisiana Governor, the legislature, and the BESE who value Louisiana's citizens and children—we just need to make sure to get them in office. It's time to get it right, and I know we have the power to do just that!

Looking beyond election season, we are gearing up to focus on another extremely important initiative: re-energizing the association with the voice of the members. We want to empower you. We want to make you a strong advocate for your profession. Over the past few years, educators' advocacy efforts have been hindered by forces who aim to diminish the power we have to enact positive change in our schools. I hope you will join us in our efforts to maintain our influence in effectively impacting our schools and our students. We are currently in the process of an organizational transition that will help to ensure the integrity of the association. LAE representatives are currently focusing their efforts on speaking with members to find out more about your needs, concerns, and successes. We want to know what areas you feel need improvement and the areas you feel inspire you. How can we lend to the betterment of your work environment?

Here's what you can do to advance this initiative:

- **Take an active interest in the LAE's upcoming projects.** Soon, LAE representatives will visit your school to meet with you to talk about and listen to the issues that are most important to you and your colleagues. Please make every effort to take part in this discussion, as this will help us in our planning efforts surrounding the LAE's upcoming initiatives.
- **Be prepared to change your dues payment method.** The times are changing, and so is the LAE. Several states have eliminated payroll deduction as an option for the payment of union dues; our legislature will make another attempt in 2016. We must be prepared. We now offer an updated, technologically advanced way to pay your dues through NEA's eDues payment service. Our goal is to transition away from the payroll deduction payment structure in order to give us greater power in our efforts to enact positive change. If you're ready to make the switch, contact Sheryl Almonte (225-330-0401) or Donna Thibodeaux (225-330-0402) in the LAE Membership Department TODAY!
- **Get active.** Are you ready to take a stand for your profession? Become an association leader and help us grow a stronger LAE. Remember, our guiding mission is driven by the voice of our members, and we need active leaders to step up and speak out on the changes they wish to see in the association.
- **Recruit your colleagues.** Encourage your colleagues who are dissatisfied with the current state of our schools to belong so that they can begin working with us to drive educational excellence in Louisiana.

We look forward to the new direction of the association, and hopefully, Louisiana. We have a chance to get it right, and I know that together, we can certainly make that happen—for our schools, our children, and the future of this state!

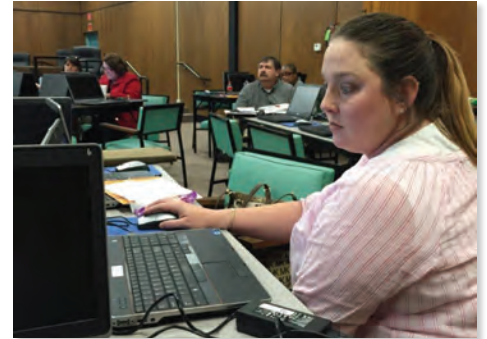
Please continue to stay informed on all of our initiatives. As always, thank you for being a member and for inspiring the children of Louisiana—today and every day.

In Solidarity,  
Debbie Meaux  
LAE President



# ARE YOU ENROLLED IN LAE'S NEW EDUES SERVICE? IF NOT, IT'S TIME YOU MADE THE SWITCH!

CHECK OUT WHY MEMBERS ACROSS LOUISIANA ARE FLIPPING THEIR DUES PAYMENTS FOR LAE



LAE members across the state transition their dues payment method.

Members are transitioning from having monthly dues deducted from their paychecks to paying by credit card or bank draft. This is what the LAE is calling its "Flip 4 LAE" campaign.

There are many reasons why members have chosen to make the switch. Here are just a few:

*"Several states have eliminated payroll deduction as an option for the payment of union dues. Our legislature came a few votes shy of taking this right away from us last year. I wanted to be proactive and change my payment so that I could get ahead of the game."*

–Cammie Claytor, Lafourche Association of Educators

*"I get perks when I use my charge card.*

*Paying my dues by credit card gives me a chance to gain additional cash back and other benefits."*

–Johnell Celestine, Evangeline Association of Educators

*"It was extremely easy to do—it only took about a minute to make the switch!"*

–East Baton Rouge Parish Association of Educators

*"LAE advocates for fairness.*

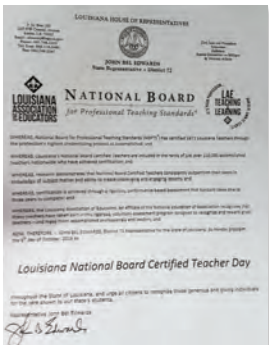
*I want to protect the integrity of this work."*

–Ruthie Wright, Webster Association of Educators

If you're ready to make the switch, contact Sheryl Almonte (225-330-0401) or Donna Thibodeaux (225-330-0402) in the LAE Membership Department TODAY!

## LAE RECOGNIZES LOUISIANA'S NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFIED TEACHERS AS LEADERS IN EDUCATION

ASSOCIATION HOSTS EVENT TO HONOR EDUCATORS AND LAUNCH NEW NBCT NETWORK



*Resolution offered by State Representative John Bel Edwards proclaiming October 8, 2015 as Louisiana National Board Certified Teacher Day.*

National Board Certified Teachers from across Louisiana gathered in Lafayette earlier this month to be a part of the official launch of a new statewide network for NBCTs for which the LAE will be the sponsoring organization. The evening also focused on the power that NBCTs have to transform the perception of school teachers and education support professionals.

"The praise of Louisiana's certified teachers is long overdue," said LAE President Debbie Meaux. "Educators are the experts in their respective fields. They understand their craft and know what their students need. It's time they were recognized for their

dedication to their profession and treated with the respect they deserve."

National Board of Professional Teaching Standards Director of Outreach and Engagement Michaela Miller presented an overview of critical changes in the National Board program. Then, it was on to the official network launch, led by NBCT Montgomery County

Institute Program Coordinator Ellen Holmes.

President Meaux recognized those in attendance as leaders in education. She said she hopes the event helps to connect and unite those with a proven commitment to the profession.

"National Board Certified Teachers demonstrate the value of professionalism in education and, together, can be strong advocates for changing the tide, not just for our profession, but for our educational system as a whole," Meaux said.

State Representative John Bel Edwards offered a resolution proclaiming October 8, 2015, as Louisiana National Board Certified Teacher Day. The resolution urged all citizens to recognize NBCTs for the care and commitment they've shown to Louisiana's school children.

Missed the event and want to get involved? Contact LAE NBCT Network Lead Madison Poche at [mpoche@lae.org](mailto:mpoche@lae.org).



*National Board of Professional Teaching Standards Director of Outreach and Engagement Michaela Miller presents overview of critical changes in the National Board Program.*

# VOTE 2015 COVERAGE: LAE-RECOMMENDED CANDIDATES

## JOHN BEL EDWARDS: THE RIGHT MAN AT THE RIGHT TIME FOR LOUISIANA HERE ARE SOME IMPORTANT THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT LAE'S TOP PICK FOR GOVERNOR



### **STRONG SUPPORTER OF PUBLIC EDUCATION**

John Bel Edwards is the husband of a teacher. He has a proven track record of standing up for Louisiana public schools, educators, and children on issue after issue.

- In 2011, John Bel Edwards fought to improve the process for auditing schools in academic crisis.
- In 2012, when Governor Jindal and his allies attacked public education with ill-conceived, unconstitutional schemes, John Bel Edwards was one of the only legislators who did his homework. He read the legislation, pointed out several glaring flaws, and stood strong in defense of the Louisiana Constitution. John Bel Edwards was a staunch advocate for Louisiana teachers, school employees, and parents who were locked out of the Louisiana State Capitol during the debate.
- In 2013, John Bel Edwards led the charge to increase Louisiana public school funding (the first in five years), with 50 percent of the increase going toward educator pay raises.
- This year, John Bel Edwards ensured that an additional \$36 million was added to the budget to preserve teacher pay raises after the legislature rejected the Minimum Foundation Program formula.



### **DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVANT**

John Bel learned the importance of public service at an early age. As one of eight children from a family long dedicated to public service, John Bel Edwards carries on the family tradition currently serving as the Louisiana State Representative for District 72.



### **RESPECTED VETERAN**

John Bel Edwards graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. He served eight years on active duty as an Airborne Ranger and commanded a rifle company in the 82nd Airborne Division.

### **SMALL BUSINESS MAN**

A graduate of LSU Law School, John Bel Edwards runs a law firm in his hometown of Amite.

### **FAMILY MAN**

John Bel Edwards' strong family ties have shaped both his commitments to his own community as well as his family. John Bel's mother taught him both the compassion he demonstrates as a legislator and his belief in the power of prayer. This compassion and good judgment, coupled with his ability to understand the details of legislation, have made him a force to be reckoned with among his colleagues in the Louisiana Legislature.





# FOR GOVERNOR, BESE, AND THE LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE

## HERE ARE SOME IMPORTANT THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE BESE

The Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) is the administrative body for all Louisiana public elementary and secondary schools. One of the body's most significant roles is administering the yearly budget for Louisiana's public schools through the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP). The BESE also adopts regulations and enacts policies governing the operations of the schools under its jurisdiction and exercises budgetary oversight of their educational programs and services.

The board is composed of 11 members. Eight are elected, one representative from each of the state's eight BESE districts. Three members are appointed by the governor to represent the state at-large; these members must be confirmed by the Louisiana Senate. The ideal candidate for each seat should have values that are in line with the following key traits of a pro-public education supporter. The ideal BESE representative should...

- Have a trusted track record of advocating for adequate investments in student learning, so that all Louisiana students—regardless of their zip code—receive the educational tools they need to learn.
- Recognize the importance of collaborative partnerships with key public education stakeholders—students, parents, public school employees, and community members—to address concerns and work on positive solutions for improving Louisiana's public schools.
- Commit to ensuring that every Louisiana student has a caring, qualified, and committed teacher in their classroom by providing educators with the resources, mentoring, and professional support they need to supply students with the best 21st-century educational experiences.

The LAE recommends the following candidates for the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE):



**LEE BARRIOS,**  
**BESE District 1:**  
Jefferson, Orleans,  
and St. Tammany  
parishes



**KARA WASHINGTON,**  
**BESE District 2:** Assumption,  
Jefferson, Orleans,  
St. Charles, St. James,  
and St. John parishes



**DR. LOTTIE BEEBE,**  
**BESE District 3:** Assumption,  
Iberia, Iberville,  
Jefferson, Lafourche,  
Plaquemines, Pointe  
Coupee, St. Bernard,  
St. John, St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Mary,  
Terrebonne, and Vermilion parishes



**MARY JOHNSON HARRIS, BESE District 4:** Bienville,  
Bossier, Caddo,  
Desoto, Natchitoches,  
Red River, Sabine,  
Vernon, Webster, and  
Winn parishes



**"JOHNNY" FATHEREE, BESE District 5:** Caldwell,  
Catahoula, Claiborne,  
Concordia, East  
Carroll, Evangeline,  
Franklin, Grant,  
Jackson, LaSalle, Lincoln, Madison,  
Morehouse, Ouachita, Rapides,

Richland, Tensas, Union, and West Carroll parishes



**KATHY EDMONSTON,**  
**BESE District 6\*:**  
Ascension, East Baton  
Rouge, Livingston,  
Tangipahoa, and  
Washington parishes



**JASON FRANCE,**  
**BESE District 6\*:**  
Ascension, East Baton  
Rouge, Livingston,  
Tangipahoa, and  
Washington parishes



**ETTA LICCIARDI,**  
**BESE District 6\*:**  
Ascension, East Baton  
Rouge, Livingston,  
Tangipahoa, and  
Washington parishes



**MIKE KREAMER,**  
**BESE District 7:** Acadia, Allen,  
Beauregard,  
Calcasieu, Cameron,  
Jefferson Davis,  
Lafayette, and  
Vermilion parishes



**CAROLYN HILL,**  
**BESE District 8:**  
Ascension, Avoyelles,  
East Baton Rouge,  
East Feliciana,  
Iberville, Pointe  
Coupee, St. Helena,  
St. Landry, St. Martin, West Baton  
Rouge, and West Feliciana parishes

\* Multiple candidates voted as favorable by the LAE-FCPE

# HERE ARE SOME IMPORTANT THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE

The Louisiana Legislature consists of 144 men and women elected to represent you in the Louisiana House of Representatives and Senate. It is their responsibility to listen to the public, assess state needs, and enact laws to benefit the people of Louisiana. Our Constitution calls for 39 State Senators and 105 State Representatives. They are elected in districts based on population.

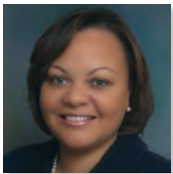
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**The LAE Fund for Children and Public Education congratulates the following senators on their uncontested election for Louisiana State Senate. We recognize these senators for their unwavering support for public schools, students and educators:**



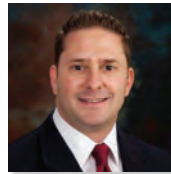
**Karen Peterson**  
District 5: Portions of Jefferson and Orleans parishes



**Dan W. "Blade" Morrish**  
District 25: Portions of Acadia, Calcasieu, Cameron, and Jefferson Davis parishes



**John Alario**  
District 8: Portions of Jefferson and Plaquemines parishes



**Jonathan Perry**  
District 26: Portions of Acadia, Lafayette, St. Landry and Vermilion parishes



**Yvonne Dorsey-Colomb**  
District 14: Portions of East Baton Rouge Parish



**Eric LaFleur**  
District 28: Portions of Acadia, Allen, Avoyelles, Evangeline and St. Landry parishes



**Eddie Lambert**  
District 18: Portions of Ascension, Livingston and St. James parishes



**John Smith**  
District 30: Portions of Beauregard, Calcasieu and Vernon parishes



**Gary Smith**  
District 19: Portions of Jefferson, Lafourche, St. Charles, and St. John the Baptist parishes



**Gerald Long**  
District 31: Portions of Grant, Natchitoches, Rapides, Red River, Sabine and Winn parishes



**Fred Mills**  
District 22: Portions of Iberia, Lafayette, St. Landry and St. Martin parishes



**Francis Thompson**  
District 34: Concordia, East Carroll, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Richland, and Tensas parishes

**The following candidates have been recommended by the LAE Fund for Children and Public Education for incumbent challenger and open seats for the Louisiana State Senate in the 2015 Primary Election:**



**Sharon Hewitt**

District 1: Portions of Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, and St. Tammany parishes



**"Mickey" Murphy**

District 12: Portions of St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, and Washington parishes



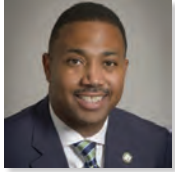
**Troy Brown**

District 2: Portions of Ascension, Assumption, Iberville, Lafourche, St. Charles, St. James, St. John the Baptist, and West Baton Rouge parishes



**Dale Erdey**

District 13: Portions of East Baton Rouge, Livingston, and Tangipahoa parishes



**Wesley Bishop**

District 4: Orleans Parish



**Regina Barrow**

District 15: East Baton Rouge Parish



**Jeff Arnold\*\***

District 7: Portions of Jefferson, Orleans, and Plaquemines parishes



**Ronnie Johns**

District 27: Calcasieu Parish



**Troy Carter\*\***

District 7: Portions of Jefferson, Orleans, and Plaquemines parishes

*\*\* Two candidates voted as favorable by the LAE-FCPE*

**LAE did not receive recommendations from local association political action teams for the following Louisiana Senate seats for the 2015 Primary Election cycle:**

**District 9:**

Portions of Jefferson and Orleans Parishes

**District 36:**

Portions of Bienville, Bossier, Claiborne, and Webster parishes

**District 33:**

Portions of Claiborne, Lincoln, Morehouse, Ouachita, Union, and West Carroll parishes

**District 23:**

Lafayette Parish

**District 16:**

East Baton Rouge Parish

**District 38:**

Portions of Caddo and DeSoto parishes

**District 35:**

Portions of Grant, Jackson, Lincoln, Ouachita, Rapides and Winn parishes

**District 24:**

Portions of Lafayette, St. Landry and St. Martin parishes

**District 20:**

Portions of Lafourche and Terrebonne parishes

**District 39:**

Caddo Parish



**The LAE Fund for Children and Public Education congratulates the following representatives on their uncontested election for the Louisiana House of Representatives. We recognize these representatives for their unwavering support for public schools, students and educators:**



**Barbara Norton**  
District 3: Caddo Parish



**Charles R. "Bubba" Chaney**  
District 19: East Carroll, West Carroll, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, and Richland parishes



**"Mike Pete" Huval**  
District 46: Iberia, St. Landry, and St. Martin parishes



**Thomas Carmody**  
District 6: Bossier and Caddo parish



**Andy Anders**  
District 21: Concordia, East Carroll, Catahoula, Madison, and Tensas parishes



**Bob Hensgens**  
District 47: Calcasieu, Cameron, and Vermilion parishes



**Gene Reynolds**  
District 10: Webster and Bossier parishes



**Kenny Cox**  
District 23: DeSoto, Natchitoches, and Red River parishes



**Taylor Barras**  
District 48: Iberia, Lafayette, and St. Martin parishes



**Patrick Jefferson**  
District 11: Bienville, Claiborne, and Lincoln parish



**Jeff Hall**  
District 26: Morehouse and Ouachita parishes



**Sam Jones**  
District 50: St. Martin and St. Mary parishes



**Rob Shadoin**  
District 12: Lincoln and Union parishes



**James Armes**  
District 30: Beauregard and Vernon parishes



**Jerry "Truck" Gisclair**  
District 54: Jefferson and Lafourche parishes



**Frank Hoffman**  
District 15: Ouachita Parish



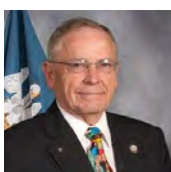
**Mike Danahay**  
District 33: Calcasieu



**Jerome "Dee" Richard**  
District 55: Lafourche Parish



**Katrina Jackson**  
District 16: Morehouse and Ouachita parishes



**Bernard Lebas**  
District 38: Evangeline and St. Landry parishes



**Greg Miller**  
District 56: St. Charles and St. John the Baptist parishes



**Major Thibaut**  
District 18: Iberville, Pointe Coupee, West Baton Rouge, and West Feliciana parishes



**Jack Montoucet**  
District 42: Acadia and Lafayette parishes



**Randal Gaines**  
District 57: St. Charles and St. John the Baptist parishes





**Patricia Smith**  
District 67: East Baton  
Rouge Parish



**Walter "Walt"  
Leger III**  
District 91: Orleans  
Parish



**Neil Abramson**  
District 98: Orleans  
Parish



**J. Rogers Pope**  
District 71: Livingston  
Parish



**Tom Willmott**  
District 92: Jefferson  
and St. Charles  
parishes



**Edward "Ted" James**  
District 101: East  
Baton Rouge Parish



**John Schroder**  
District 77: St.  
Tammany Parish



**Helena Moreno**  
District 93: Orleans  
Parish



**John A. "Johnny"  
Berthelot**  
District 88: Ascension  
Parish



**Sherman Q. Mack**  
District 95: Livingston  
Parish

**The following candidates have been recommended by the LAE Fund for Children and Public Education for incumbent challenger and open seats for the Louisiana House of Representatives in the 2015 Primary Election:**



**Cedric B. Glover\*\***  
District 4: Caddo  
Parish



**Marcus Hunter**  
District 17: Ouachita  
parish



**Dorothy Sue Hill**  
District 32: Allen,  
Beauregard, and  
Calcasieu parishes



**Reginald Johnson\*\***  
District 4: Caddo  
Parish



**Terry Brown**  
District 22: Grant,  
LaSalle, Natchitoches,  
Red River, and Winn  
parishes



**A. B. Franklin**  
District 34: Calcasieu  
Parish



**Eileen Velez**  
District 5: Caddo  
Parish



**Robert Johnson**  
District 28: Avoyelles  
Parish



**Stephen Ortego**  
District 39: Lafayette  
and St. Landry  
parishes



**"Dodie" Horton**  
District 9: Bossier  
Parish



**Vereta Lee**  
District 29: East Baton  
Rouge and West Baton  
Rouge parishes



**Germaine Jackson**  
District 41: Acadia,  
Evangeline and St.  
Landry parishes

*\*\* Two candidates voted as favorable by the LAE-FCPE*  
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**Vincent Pierre**  
District 44: Lafayette Parish



**Kenny Havard**  
District 62: East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana and West Feliciana parishes



**Terry Landry**  
District 96: Iberia, Lafayette, and St. Martin parishes



**Joe Harrison**  
District 51: Assumption, Lafourche, St. Mary and Terrebonne parishes



**Barbara West Carpenter\*\***  
District 63: East Baton Rouge Parish



**Joseph "Joe" Bouie Jr.**  
District 97: Orleans Parish



**Brenda Leroux Babin**  
District 53: Lafourche and Terrebonne parishes



**Joyce Marie Plummer\*\***  
District 63: East Baton Rouge Parish



**Jimmy Harris**  
District 99: Orleans parish



**Ed Price**  
District 58: Ascension, Iberville, St. James parishes



**Robby Carter**  
District 72: East Feliciana, St. Helena, and Tangipahoa parishes



**Alicia Plummer Clivens**  
District 100: Orleans Parish



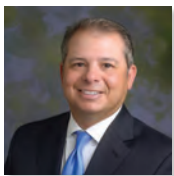
**Pat Bell**  
District 59: Ascension Parish



**Tim Bailey**  
District 74: Portions of St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, and Washington parishes



**Gary Carter Jr.**  
District 102: Orleans Parish



**Chad Brown**  
District 60: Assumption and Iberville parishes



**"Chuck" Nassauer**  
District 75: St. Tammany and Washington parishes



**Casey Hunnicutt**  
District 103: Orleans, Plaquemines, and St. Bernard parishes



**Donna Collins-Lewis**  
District 61: East Baton Rouge Parish



**Ebony Woodruff**  
District 87: Jefferson Parish



**Alexis Catherine Billiot**  
District 105: Jefferson, Orleans, and Plaquemines parishes

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## LAE TEACHER WORK ROOM BULLETIN BOARDS AVAILABLE BY REQUEST

Want to help us publicize the names and contact information for our local association representatives and staff contacts? What about assisting us with getting the word out about association news and events? We have a batch of LAE teacher's work room bulletin boards available by request. Simply email Kathy Potts at [kpotts@lae.org](mailto:kpotts@lae.org) to arrange delivery of your very own LAE work room bulletin board. Hurry! Supplies are limited.



## The LAE did not receive recommendations from local association political action teams for the following Louisiana House of Representatives seats for the 2015 Primary Election cycle:

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| <b>District 1:</b> Bossier and Caddo parishes                                  | <b>District 66:</b> East Baton Rouge Parish  |
| <b>District 7:</b> Caddo, DeSoto, and Sabine parishes                          | <b>District 68:</b> East Baton Rouge Parish  |
| <b>District 8:</b> Bossier Parish  | <b>District 69:</b> East Baton Rouge Parish  |
| <b>District 13:</b> Bienville, Jackson, Ouachita, and Winn parishes            | <b>District 70:</b> East Baton Rouge Parish  |
| <b>District 14:</b> Morehouse and Ouachita parishes                            | <b>District 73:</b> Tangipahoa Parish  |
| <b>District 20:</b> Caldwell, Catahoula, Franklin, LaSalle and Tensas parishes | <b>District 76:</b> St. Tammany Parish   |
| <b>District 24:</b> Natchitoches, Sabine and Vernon parishes                   | <b>District 78:</b> Jefferson Parish   |
| <b>District 25:</b> Rapides Parish   | <b>District 79:</b> Jefferson Parish   |
| <b>District 27:</b> Rapides Parish   | <b>District 80:</b> Jefferson Parish   |
| <b>District 31:</b> Portions of Lafayette and Vermilion parishes               | <b>District 81:</b> Portions of Ascension, Livingston, St. John the Baptist and St. James parishes |
| <b>District 35:</b> Beauregard and Calcasieu parishes                          | <b>District 82:</b> Jefferson Parish   |
| <b>District 36:</b> Calcasieu Parish   | <b>District 84:</b> Jefferson Parish   |
| <b>District 37:</b> Portions of Calcasieu and Jefferson Davis parishes         | <b>District 85:</b> Jefferson Parish   |
| <b>District 43:</b> Lafayette Parish   | <b>District 86:</b> Tangipahoa Parish  |
| <b>District 45:</b> Lafayette Parish   | <b>District 89:</b> St. Tammany Parish   |
| <b>District 49:</b> Portions of Iberia and Vermilion parishes                  | <b>District 90:</b> St. Tammany Parish   |
| <b>District 52:</b> Lafourche and Terrebonne parishes                          | <b>District 94:</b> Jefferson and Orleans parishes   |
| <b>District 64:</b> East Baton Rouge and Livingston parishes                   | <b>District 104:</b> St. Tammany Parish  |
| <b>District 65:</b> East Baton Rouge Parish                                    |  |

## ATTENTION: LAE BOARD VACANCIES

The LAE Board of Directors is composed of association leaders who are active education employees and who have been elected by their peers to act for the association in between meetings of the Representative Assembly. You must be a member for at least three years to be eligible to apply for one of the vacant seats listed below:

**First Associational District, Seat C:** Allen, Beauregard, Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne, Desoto, Jackson, Jeff Davis, Lincoln, Natchitoches, Red River, Sabine, Union, Vernon, and Webster

**Sixth Associational District, Seat C:** Jefferson, Lafourche, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. John, St. Mary, St. Tammany, and Terrebonne

**Education Support Professional Representative, Seat A:** Statewide seat

If you are interested in applying, please send your letter of intent and resume to Laurie Guillot at [lguillot@lae.org](mailto:lguillot@lae.org) by October 30, 2015. The next LAE Board meeting is scheduled for October 31, 2015, and the seats will be appointed at this meeting.

## PRESIDENT MEAUX ANNOUNCES INTENT TO RUN FOR RE-ELECTION IN 2016

In concurrence with Article IV: Section 5 of the LAE Constitution, "The incumbent president shall notify the LAE Board of Directors of his/her intent to seek re-election by October 1, and that decision will be communicated to the members."

Please consider this the LAE Board of Directors' communication to LAE members that Debbie Meaux has expressed her intent to the board to run for re-election for LAE president in 2016.

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\* LAE Headquarters  
Closed