

LIAISON MEMORANDUM NUMBER 11-29

To: Agency Liaison and Payroll Officers

From: Cindy Rougeou
Executive Director

Re: 2011 LASERS Board of Trustees Election Begins for Retirees

Date: September 26, 2011

Voting for retired candidates in the 2011 LASERS Board of Trustees Election has begun. Retirees as of June 30, 2011 may vote for up to two candidates for the open four-year terms.

This year, three active candidates qualified for three active positions. On July 22, 2011 the LASERS Board of Trustees certified these candidates—Thomas Bickham, Sheryl Ranatza, and Shannon Templet-- as winners of the positions, eliminating the need for an active member election.

Below is pertinent information you will need to inform your retired employees of the election process. Election packets containing candidate profiles, unique voter Personal Identification Numbers (PIN), and complete voting instructions (including telephone and Internet), were mailed on Friday, September 23, 2011, to all eligible voters in the LASERS retired member database.

There are three methods by which retirees can vote in this election:

1. **The Internet:** Go to the LASERS website, www.lasersonline.org, click on the "2011 Board Election" tab. Click the "Voting Procedures" link. Retirees must use the last four digits of their Social Security numbers and their PIN supplied in the election packet, to vote via the Internet.
2. **By telephone:** Voters must call 1.866.813.0232, and use the last four digits of their Social Security numbers and their PIN to vote.

Board of Trustees:	Connie Carlton, Chair	John Kennedy	Rep. Kevin Pearson	Cindy Rougeou, Executive Director
	Charles Castille	Janice Lansing	Lori Pierce	
	Sen. D.A. "Butch" Gautreaux	Barbara McManus	Sheryl M. Ranatza	
	Beverly Hodges	Susan Pappan	Kathy Singleton	

3. **By mail:** Paper ballots are included in the election packet and should be mailed according to the instructions in the packet. If an eligible voter did not receive a ballot, a replacement ballot or voting instructions can be obtained by calling Election Services Corporation at 1.866.720.4357. The retiree will need to provide their name, address verification and, for security purposes, the last four digits of their Social Security number.

All ballots cast by Internet, telephone, and paper must be received by October 28, 2011, at 4:30 PM CDT.

The voting process is designed to assure that a member votes only once. Therefore, if a member votes by the Internet or by telephone and also mails a ballot, the first vote received will be the only one counted.

We appreciate your help in disseminating this information to your retirees.

For additional information regarding the 2011 LASERS Board of Trustees Election, please contact the Public Information Division at 225.922.1131.