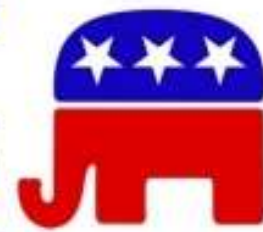


## MANDEVILLE REPUBLICAN WOMEN



Linda Begue

President's Message  
February 2023

If you missed it,  
**You *really* missed it!**

At MRW meeting on January 5 guest speakers Secretary of State Kyle Ardoin--who is in charge of all voting in the state and Clerk of Court Melisa Henry--who oversees the actual voting in the precincts of St. Tammany Parish, both having full knowledge of voting equipment available and voting processes and of the bill passed by our legislature stating the requirements, confirmed that there are devices available upon which we can cast our votes which will tally votes and produce an auditable paper trail which does not require the voter to hand-handle a paper ballot. I asked for and received Kyle's assurance we will not have a paper ballot anyone has to handle when we go to vote. Nothing will change until spring of 2024 as this is a long, drawn-out process.

***This is what we want!***

These devices produce a paper ballot that the voter never touches and a cash register type tape containing all the voting information both of which can be stored in case questions arise about the election. This fulfills the requirement for an auditable paper trail. Louisiana is rated #5 in the nation for voting integrity. This is due to the meticulous rules and extreme care given by the Secretary of State's office and the Clerks of Court offices even to the point of hand delivering voting machine counters to keep all reporting of voting tallies off the internet. Additionally, all voting machine software is installed by the Sec. of State's office and not the Vendor. All this was fully explained by Kyle and Melissa. Kyle dispelled all the misinformation that is being bantered about.

***It was very impressive!***

We will continue to follow the process until completed informing you along the way in case we need to take action.

***Thank you, Kyle and Melissa!***

## February, 2023 MRW Meeting

Don't forget to make your reservation for our January 5th luncheon! We have important information coming our way that day.

Our guest speakers will be Secretary of State Kyle Ardoin and St. Tammany Parish Clerk of Court Melissa Henry. Together they will inform us on the future of our new voting machines and the possibility of paper ballots becoming a reality in our elections.



**Kyle Ardoin**  
Louisiana Secretary of State



**Melissa Henry**  
St. Tammany Clerk of Court

**Please plan to attend, this information is timely and a plan of action on our part will be required to help educate our community.**

**To reserve your spot, please contact Linda Esquerre,  
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**Photos from  
December 2022 MRW Christmas Social**

**Induction of 2023 MRW Officers**



**From Left to Right: Mandeville Mayor Clay Madden; President Linda Begue; 1st Vice President Michelle Pichon; 2nd Vice President Lynn Pablovich; Treasurer Dorothy Noriea; Recording Secretary Joyce Laporte; and Corresponding Secretary Judy Hermann**





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## **Hospitality Committee Report**

by Judy Hermann

Our Christmas Social was a huge success! It was well-attended and members donated many desirable items for the raffle and the silent auction. Most people I spoke with enjoyed the variety and quality of the food served by the Beau Chene staff.

Due the generosity of our members, MRW was able to donate \$1,500 to the Marine Corps Toy and Doll Fund, for which they were very grateful. We also donated many toys for them, and a large number of books for the St. Tammany Christmas project.

Thank you to all who attended, brought raffle and auction items, bought raffle tickets, bid on auction items, brought toys and books, and donated to the Marine Corps fund. A very big thank you to those who helped the committee organize and set up the event.

Thank you, Everyone!



## **Membership Report**

by Lynn Pablovich

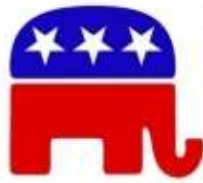
MRW ended Year 2022 with 84 Active members and 20 Associate members. Eighteen of the 84 members are New.

At our meeting on January 5<sup>th</sup> we will collect dues for 2023. Full membership is \$45, and Associate membership is \$15. If you wish to mail your payment, our address is:

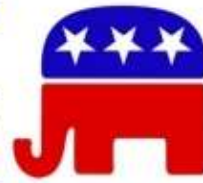
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If there are NO CHANGES in your information, I do not need an application. IF THERE ARE ANY INFORMATION CHANGES, LIKE EMAIL OR OTHER, I DO NEED AN APPLICATION.





# MANDEVILLE REPUBLICAN WOMEN



## St. Tammany Public School Education Committee Report by Sharon Bostwick

St. Tammany School Board meetings are all open to the public. The meetings are also live-streamed at <https://www.youtube.com/stppschoools>. Recordings of the meetings are made available for viewing immediately after the live stream ends, at <https://go.boarddocs.com/la/stpsb/Board.nsf/Public>. At the latter site you can also view and/or print the meeting agenda.

To subscribe to the email notifications of upcoming meetings and agenda, submit an email to:

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BESE 2022-23 MEETING SCHEDULE	
January 17, 2023 January 18, 2023	Committee Meetings Board Meeting
March 7, 2023 March 8, 2023	Committee Meetings Board Meeting
April 18, 2023 April 19, 2023	Committee Meetings Board Meeting
June 13, 2023* June 14, 2023	Committee Meeting Board Meeting AND Joint Meeting of BESE and Board of Regents
August 22, 2023 August 23, 2023	Committee Meetings Board Meeting
October 10, 2023 October 11, 2023	Committee Meetings Board Meeting
December 12, 2023* December 13, 2023	Committee Meeting Board Meeting AND Joint Meeting of BESE and Board of Regents
<i>*The Constitution requires BESE and Board of Regents to meet jointly twice a year.</i>	

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## 2023 BESE ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE\*

8(g) Advisory Council (9:30 a.m. Wednesday) TBD

Nonpublic School Council (10:00 a.m. Tuesday) 1/24, 3/21, 7/18, and 9/19

Superintendents' Advisory Council (10:00 a.m. Thursday) 2/23, 3/23, 6/8, 7/27, 9/21, and 11/16

*\*Pending the availability of funds.*

All meetings are held at the St. Tammany Parish School Board C. J. Schoen Administrative Complex (321 N. Theard St., Covington, LA) unless otherwise noted. Three (3) regular School Board meetings shall be held at the Robert C. Brooks, Jr. Educational Complex (2544 Sgt. Alfred Drive, Slidell, LA) each year. The Board also meets in Special Session as needed during the course of the year.

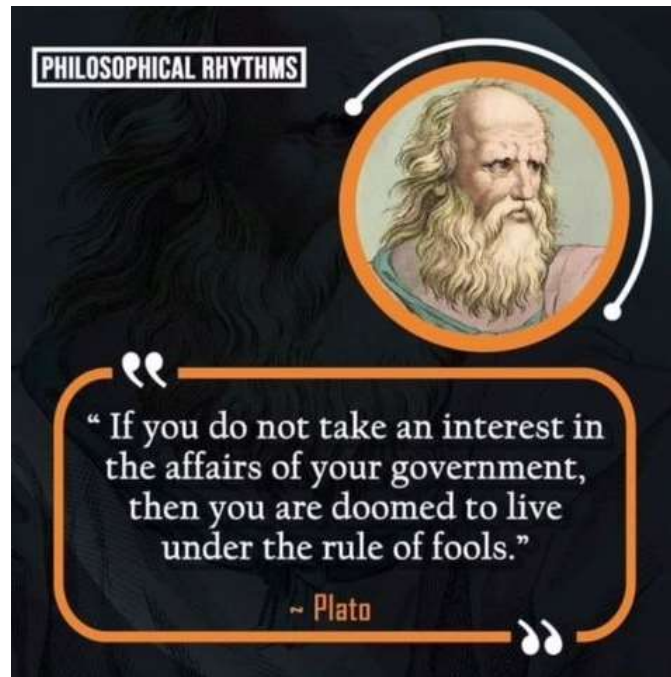
MRW Members are encouraged to sign up for meeting notifications by sending an email to the link shown above. Also, try to attend some meetings.



***“Kids are fluid about everything. If kids knew what they wanted to be at age eight, the world would be filled with cowboys and princesses. I wanted to be a pirate. Thank God nobody took me seriously and scheduled me for eye removal and peg-leg surgery.”***

***– Bill Maher***

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**Bring the completed form to the next MRW meeting or  
mail to the address shown on the form.**

**MANDEVILLE REPUBLICAN WOMEN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

MRW is a member of the Louisiana Federation of Rep Women and the National Federation of Rep Women

**\*You must be a registered Republican to join.**

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