## **GET READY TO VOTE!**

Teachers' Retirement Board is holding an election for two new seats.

CEA-Retired supports Maureen Honan and Mary-Beth Lang











## MAUREEN HONAN

Maureen Honan was elected to the State Teachers' Retirement Board in November 2011 and served on the Appeals, Audit, and Health Care Committees until she left the Board when she retired in 2017.

As an educator for 41 years in Region 15, serving the towns of Middlebury and Southbury, she began her career as a fifth grade teacher, then as a special educator at the secondary level, and finishing as an administrator. As an active teacher, she was President of the Pomperaug Education Association. For 34 years, she negotiated contracts focusing on health care, contract language, salary, and benefits both at the teacher and administrator levels.

She served on numerous CEA Committees, including the Board of Directors, and is currently involved with CEA-Retired focusing on Member Benefits. Maureen also served on the NEA Board of Directors for six years. While in Washington, she lobbied the Connecticut Congressional Delegation on GPO/WEP and issues pertaining to education and health care.

Maureen graduated from St. Joseph's University and completed graduate studies at Southern Connecticut State University, Fairfield University, and the University of Bridgeport.

Now retired, Maureen would like to return to the State Teachers' Retirement Board to represent you in protecting and improving pension and health care issues as well as reducing the unfunded liability. Maureen Honan is a proven leader.

## MARY-BETH LANG

Mary-Beth Lang is an urban educator who taught for 41 years in Bridgeport and continues to volunteer. She served as Bridgeport Education Association President for 6 years negotiating contracts, protecting health insurance, and advocating for teacher rights.

Mary-Beth currently is the Connecticut Education Association Retired Vice President and previously served as Treasurer. She also serves on the CEA Retirement Commission, the CEA Retired Legislation Committee, and has lobbied for retired teacher issues.

She is the CEA-R representative on the executive committee for the Alliance for Retired Americans, and serves on the national task force for the repeal of GPO/WEP.

Mary-Beth graduated from Purdue University and received advanced degrees from Fairfield University.

She states, "In addition to fully funding our pension, we need to protect our defined benefit pension to ensure all retired members lower risk and cost. I am committed to fiercely representing Connecticut retired teachers."

Mary-Beth's proven leadership protecting retired teachers' pension issues would be an outstanding addition to the Teachers' Retirement Board.