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Office You Are Seeking:

Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE) Trustee

Specify District/Seat/Ward Number or Indicate At Large:

Area 2

Estimated Campaign Budget:

40,000

As of this Questionnaire, Amount Raised:

6,500

1. How have you and/or will you support the mission and purposes of the RainbowPAC as outlined above? Please be specific.

As someone who's worked in the private sector as a management consultant for years (Deloitte, Crowe Horwath), and as someone who holds a leadership position within a large organization (Director of a software company), I understand the important of having a strong business network and the benefits that result from such a network. The same holds true for the Sacramento Rainbow Chamber and the community of businesses that comprise the Chamber's network - it adds significant value to the LGBT community. I've attended numerous Chamber networking events over the years, including mixers at the Crest and various fundraisers. I fully support the Chamber's purpose and mission - network building, advocacy, and education, just to name a few - and will continue to support the Chamber for years to come. I look forward to partnering with the Chamber and increasing its role in the community.

2. Are you a current member of the Sacramento Rainbow Chamber of Commerce? If yes, since when? And, are you or any of your staff or key volunteers openly LGBT?

No, I am currently not a member of the Chamber. I am a married, openly gay man and am a leader in the LGBT community. My campaign includes paid and volunteer LGBT community members (all openly LGBT).

3. Describe how you would support/oppose the use of programs to ensure equal opportunities, policies, laws, and/or ordinances that protect LGBT individuals in the workplace.

Once elected, one of my primary goals is to ensure that Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE) policies and rules that support LGBT individuals are strengthened. I'm running for a Trustee position on the SCOE Board, and they currently have anti-bullying policies. The policies are relatively weak and must be improved to better ensure that LGBT students are protected. I plan on leading the charge to improve these policies once elected.

4. What are the most pressing issues facing our region, and how do you propose we resolve them?

The most pressing issue in our region is housing/homelessness. the homelessness epidemic negatively impacts our families, our businesses, and our communities. It also impacts SCOE and the member school districts in a number of material ways. There is a shortage of housing for thousands of students across the county. The school districts are in a position to provide housing for those that need it, there's simply no substantive program in place to facilitate it; the districts need a program model to follow. Numerous models exist across the country that have proven to be successful in resolving the homelessness epidemic for students. I plan on working to develop a student/family housing program based on those models that have been successful elsewhere and then implement it through a SCOE member school districts.

5. What is your vision to attract major business/Fortune 500 companies into our region?

Strong schools equal strong communities. Strong communities - those with a highly-educated workforce, motivated and productive citizens - attract major businesses and help small and medium sized businesses grow and thrive. Although this is just one factor to be considered when attempting to attract major businesses to our region, it is one of the most important aspects that a business looks at when considering a move.

6. Share your vision to make our region a better place for small businesses.

Aside from my above comments regarding the importance of strong school systems and their impact on the attractiveness of a community, we also need our region to do more to promote and adopt policies that are inclusive to all minority communities, including the LGBT community. these policies make our communities stronger, and strong, inclusive communities are more economically dynamic, attract and grow small businesses, and have a higher quality of life. Although we've made great strides in the Sacramento region in recent years, more needs to be done. As an active LGBT community leader, I will continue to push for policies that encourage inclusivity, stronger, more dynamic communities, and an environment that encourages and supports small businesses.

7. Describe your position on Community Benefit Resolutions, Living Wage Ordinances, and Project Labor Agreements.

I believe that LWO, and PLAs are programs and policies that support strong communities, support the stability and growth of the middle class, and help support the success and growth of our local economy. I don't have enough knowledge regarding CBRs to have a position, although I'm currently researching the topic and would like to learn more from the Chamber community.

8. What is your position on requiring employers to provide health care insurance to workers and families?

I believe that health care should be provided through organizations other than employers. Our current structure puts unnecessary stress on the business community and it limits their ability to growth and thrive.

9. Describe your vision for improving economic conditions and job security of people within the office you are seeking.

I believe that implementing policies that result in stronger schools equates to stronger communities, as mentioned above in previous answers. I also believe that a government that supplements business activities, rather than competing with businesses, would allow for more economic opportunity for all businesses. More business opportunities often results in more jobs and more job security for our community. If elected, I will fight for this vision and associated policies.

10. Identify three (3) key endorsements that you have received for your candidacy.

Scott Dosick - President, Natomas Unified School District
Jay Hansen - Member (and past President), Sacramento City Unified School District
Jann Dorothy - President, Sacramento Stonewall

Virtual Signature

Nate Pelczar

Date

02/28/2018