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2010 CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

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1) Why are you running for the Legislature?

I'm weary of politicians making decisions that are not in their purview as stated by the KS & US Constitutions.

2) If you had the opportunity, what is the first bill you would like to submit in the 2011 session and why?

Because State Reps & Senators are paid by the day (when they are in Topeka) they waste time & debate dead-end bills while they're there. With email, IM, Facebook, Twitter etc there is NO reason they have to waste taxpayer dollars during debate. My bill would address this waste.

3) Do you support or oppose legislation that would allow for tax increases to be enacted only by a legislative supermajority or referendum? (i.e. either 3/5 or 2/3 vote of legislature for approval of a tax increase)

a. support

b. oppose

Why? I would oppose ANY tax increase until we produce a zero budget. The bill information above is an excuse to waste time and money not addressing the real problem.

4) When state revenues are less than state expenditures, which statement most accurately reflects your first priority?

- Maintain current expenditures and raise taxes.
- Both cut spending and raise taxes.
- Cut more than 15% before considering a tax increase.
- Do not raise taxes and cut spending.

If you would cut spending, are there any specific areas you would cut? Why?

Congress pay & reimbursements, pet projects that are not constitutionally authorized.

If you were to raise taxes, what specific taxes you would raise and why?

I would shift all taxes to usage. For instance: Margaret only leaves her church once a week on Sunday. Joe commutes 750 miles per week. The percent each pays toward roads should reflect this.

5) What do you believe to be the most important issues facing the Kansas Legislature in the upcoming session? (Please rank 1-5, 1 being the most important)

- 1 Education Funding
- 2 Welfare program redistribution
- 3 Jobs For Reno County
- 4 Clean coal plants for baseload for "Kansas" power needs
- 5 What is shared with me further from Reno County constituents. It's "their" representation + "their" needs. Not my ideas.

6) Many Cities, Counties and State agencies use tax dollars to hire lobbyists to lobby the Kansas Legislature. Do you believe this is a proper use of tax dollars and should such expenditures be disclosed to Kansas taxpayers? Why or why not?

It is absolutely NOT proper and should be disclosed. We are supposed to represent our local residents in front of other resident representatives of the State. Lobbyists generally push agendas that Mary From Yoder absolutely doesn't care about.

7) How do you believe Kansas Supreme Court Justices should be selected?

Similarly to US Supreme Court Justices... Nominated by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate.

8) If the rate of inflation (consumer price index), plus population growth in Kansas grew at 4%, what do you believe would be the appropriate percentage increase in state budget expenditures? Why?

The 2005 estimate was 2.017 million residents over 18. Search that... CPI cost is in billion; population growth over 18 adds in millions to revenue. There should be a huge budget cut.

9) Kansas economic growth has been lagging behind our neighboring states and annual population growth is stagnant at an average increase of less than one-half of one percent per year. As a legislator, how would you address these problems?

We need to eliminate income tax and drastically reduce corporate taxation to attract national companies such as Menninger who left a few years ago. As mentioned earlier we need to institute an "as used" tax.

10) The 2010 Legislature increased the state sales tax from 5.3% to 6.3% in part, to help fund a FY 2011 state general fund budget that increases spending by \$204 million over FY 2010. Once implemented, Kansas will have the largest sales tax amongst neighboring states. (Nebraska is next closest at 5.5%). Considering 33% of our population resides in a county bordering Missouri alone, do you support the decision of the Legislature?

No I don't support them. They are too lazy and scared to reduce entitlements and a plethora of other unnecessary spending.

11) Do you have any other positions or information that would be of interest to the members of AFP-Kansas?

The job of KS senator or Rep is supposed to be part-time by the day payment. I plan to show it can be done without sucking up time or money.