

**Questionnaire for candidates for the office of
San Francisco Democratic County Central
Committee Member, AD 13**

Statewide Direct Primary Election, June 8, 2010



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General Questions. *Please write a brief response (under 150 words) to each question.*

1. Why are you running? Why should we vote for you? **I am running as a longtime LGBT and HIV/AIDS organizer/activist who can help the DCCC focus on tasks necessary to ensure Democratic victory in November, 2010, including electing a Democratic governor, re-electing Senator Boxer, and passing the California Democracy Act (state budget reform) if it is on the ballot. California and San Francisco can't afford 4 more years of a Republican governor after Governor Schwarzenegger's decimation of education, health, public transportation, and other vital services. We must also reform the state budget/revenue process so the minority can't block passage. I have over 15 years of experience designing grassroots advocacy strategies, organizing rallies and press conferences, and participating in political campaigns. I want to bring those skills to strengthen and expand the DCCC's voter registration, outreach, and GOTV efforts.**
2. What sets you apart from your opponents? **There are many excellent candidates in the race, but many are already elected officials or running for another office in November. That makes them less able to devote the time and energy necessary for the massive work ahead for the DCCC. I also hope to steer the DCCC a bit away from its focus on resolutions and local politics and into the necessary work of strengthening and expanding the SF Democratic Party and ensuring Democratic victory in November 2010.**

3. Potrero Hill Democratic Club endorses fiscally responsible and socially progressive candidates. Please give examples of why you fit these criteria. **These are somewhat broad terms and open to interpretation. I would say I am fiscally responsible in that I believe taxpayer funds should be used for projects, services, and programs that have a demonstrated need, a clear rationale for the funding request, and subject to ongoing evaluation and audit. I don't automatically assume that more funding is the answer to every social problem, although I disagree with blanket "solutions" to fiscal problems such as President Obama's proposed overall freeze on discretionary spending. I am also opposed to citizen-based budgeting, in which voters determine how much money is carved out for particular programs.**

Socially, I am progressive as it gets. I am pro-choice, in favor of full equality for LGBT people, support environmental protections, etc.

Issues.

1. Do you support or oppose the following Propositions on the June ballot?

Proposition 14 support oppose

Proposition 15 support oppose

Proposition 16 support X oppose

Proposition 17 support oppose

2. Did you support Proposition 8? support oppose