## Questionnaire for candidates for the office of Trustee, SF Community College Board General Election, November 2, 2010

Please return this questionnaire electronically to contact\_us@phdemclub.org no later than **Monday, August 30**, to confirm your speaking slot.

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Please write a brief response ( $\leq$ 150 words) to each question. We will make these questionnaires available to our members before the endorsement meeting.

1. Why are you running for office?

SERVING ON THE COLLEGE BOARD HAS BEEN A PRIVILEGE THAT I DO NOT TAKE LIKELY. I HAVE SEEN HOW ACCESS TO EDUCATION HAS TRANSFORMED LIVES FOR THE BETTER. I HAVE BEEN AN ADVOCATE FOR AT-RISK STUDENTS, IMMIGRANTS, WELFARE AND HOMELESS STUDENTS. I HAVE A VERIFIABLE RECORD OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

2. What are your qualifications for this position?

SERVED ON THE COLLEGE BOARD FOR 16 YEARS, ELECTED 4 TERMS AS PRESIDENT, RAISED MORE MONEY FOR CITY COLLEGE THAN ANY TRUSTEE IN HISTORY AND AM A CITY COLLEGE GRADUATE MYSELF.

- 4. What are the top three challenges facing San Francisco City College?
- 1. STATE FUNDING FOR OUR PROGRAMS AND CLASSES;
- 2. EXPANDING OUR REVENUE BASE BY CREATING AN ALUMNI ASSOC.;PARCEL TAX IF APPROVED BY VOTERS;
  - 3. MAINTAINING CLASSES AND EXPANDING WHERE NEEDED
- 5. What have you done during your term in office to address these challenges?
- -RAISED FUNDS THROUGH FUNDRAISERS AND FROM MAJOR DONORS, PASSED A RESOLUTION TO CREATE AN ALUMNI ASSOC. AND LOBBYING THE STATE FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING
- 6. If reelected, how do you plan to continue and expand these efforts?
  DOING MORE OF THE SAME
- 7. Please describe your other major accomplishments while in office.

LED THE EFFORT TO BUILD NEW FACILITIES SUCH AS THE NEW MISSION CAMPUS AND THE CHINATOWN/NORTH BEACH CAMPUS. EXPANDED CHILDCARE FACILITIES, HIV TESTING/EDUCATION, STUDENT RETENTION PROGRAMS, WORKFORCE EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND MORE.

Do you support or oppose the following Propositions on the November ballot?	
Proposition 19 <u>x</u> support MEDICAL USE	oppose
Proposition 23support	<u>x</u> oppose
Proposition 26support	<u>x</u> oppose
Thank you for your time, and your commitment to education. We look forward to seeing you on	
September 7th.	