

Candidate Questionnaire for San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee

Primary Election, June 7, 2016

Please return this questionnaire electronically to contact_us@phdemclub.org **no later than Monday, April 4**th. Candidates who do not return the questionnaire by the due date will not be invited to appear at our April 12th endorsement meeting. Questionnaires will be made available to our members online.

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Please write a brief response (≤200 words) to each question.

1. Why are you running for the DCCC and what do you hope to accomplish if elected or reelected?

To create fairness and equity, to elect/support officials who will be accountable to the regular citizens of our city, state, country. To increase voter registration and to dialogue in racial and cultural humility, as well as to resolve the issues of homelessness and mental illness; to bring more diversity into the workplace.

- 2. Please describe your current and past community activism.

 Community activist in BVHP; President of African American Democratic Club, co-founder of the Black Employees Empowerment Assn, elected delegate to the 2012 Democratic National Convention, supporter of causes and candidates I worked on campaigns of.
- 3. Would you support closing the campaign finance loophole that allows candidates running for their party's Central Committee to raise unlimited funds, while other candidates for local elected office are limited to \$500 per donor? Why or why not? Yes, because it should be in alignment with other campaigns limitations. Also, the unlimited funds disallows regular citizens

to campaign and to have a chance to be elected and really represent their fellow constituents, vs big business or those with much money.

4. Please name the 3 endorsements of which you are most proud. Shamann Walton, IFPTE21, Brenda Barros

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- 5. Please indicate, and explain, your position on the following past ballot propositions.
 - Proposition G (2014), Additional Transfer Tax on Residential Property Sold Within 5 Years of Purchase
 - Supported_x_ Opposed_ Why? More income to our city for helping those who cannot help themselves and to attempt to balance the damage of Prop 13
 - Proposition F (2015), Short-Term Residential Rentals
 - Supported____ Opposed__x__ Why? I am still analyzing AirBnb practices and not convinced it is for the good of the community
- 6. The population of SF is up, but Democratic Party registration and turnout have mostly been down in recent years. What specifically will you do to improve the Party's registration efforts and organization in District 10?

Hold more voter registration rallies on a regular frequent basis; apply for the voter bounty program; get the AADC more involved in voter outreach and education and rights.

Thank you for your time and your commitment to public service. Pending timely receipt of your questionnaire, we look forward to seeing you at the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House on April 12th.

Executive Committee, Potrero Hill Democratic Club