



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF BUCKS COUNTY NONPARTISAN VOTERS GUIDE

2018 Fall General Election November 6, 2018

Polls open 7 A.M. to 8 P.M.

This Voters Guide may be taken into the voting booth.

FOR ELECTION INFORMATION

Contact the Bucks County Board of Elections or visit www.VotesPA.com. The League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania Citizen Information Center also provides election information. Call 717-234-1576 with any questions or go to www.Vote411.org.

ABOUT THIS GUIDE

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The candidates listed are those whose names appear on the ballot as of September 14, 2018.

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ABSENTEE VOTING

Registered voters who are ill, disabled, or will be absent from the municipality on Election Day may vote by absentee ballot. **Completed applications for civilian absentee ballots must be received by the county Board of Elections by 5 P.M., November 2, 2018.** If an emergency arises (unexpected illness or business trip) after the Tuesday application deadline, call the Bucks County Board of Elections for information on emergency absentee voting. Proof of emergency may be required. Any disabled voter having questions regarding the accessibility of a polling place should consult the county Board of Elections.

WRITE-IN VOTING

Information for write-in voting will be available at the polling place.

ELECTION DAY PROBLEMS

If your right to vote is challenged at the polls on Election Day and the problem cannot be resolved at the polling place, the judge of elections at the polling place should telephone the county Board of Elections. The problem could be resolved by phone if your name appears on the county records. If it does not and you want to try to resolve the problem, then you can go in person to the county Board of Elections where a judge from the Court of Common Pleas will be on duty to resolve election problems. Alternatively, you can ask for and vote by provisional ballot. If it is later determined that you were eligible to vote your ballot will be counted. You will be given instructions on how to determine if your vote was counted.

If you have any questions or need to report any problems, call 1-866-OUR-VOTE for assistance in English or Spanish or 1-888-API-VOTE for assistance in Asian languages

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW VOTERS

If you are a new voter or if you are voting at a polling place for the first time, then you must bring your voter ID card or a photo ID such as a driver's license, student ID or some other form of Federal or State government issued ID. Some forms of non-photo ID are also acceptable such as a firearm permit, current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or government check. If you do not have any acceptable ID, then you must be allowed to vote by provisional ballot.

If you are not a new voter and are not voting at your polling place for the first time, you are NOT required to bring or provide identification.

ON-LINE VOTERS GUIDE

The Vote411 Online Voters Guide is available at www.vote411.org. Links to this guide are posted on the League of Women Voters of Bucks County website, www.lwvbucks.org (go to the Voters Guide Page).

US Senator

Description

The U.S. Constitution prescribes that the Senate be composed of two Senators from each State (therefore, the Senate currently has 100 Members) and that a Senator must be at least thirty years of age, have been a citizen of the United States for nine years, and, when elected, be a resident of the State from which he or she is chosen. A Senator's term of office is six years and approximately one-third of the total membership of the Senate is elected every two years.

The Senate has several exclusive powers not granted to the House, including consenting to treaties, a precondition to their ratification consenting or confirming appointments of Cabinet secretaries, other federal executive officials, military officers, regulatory officials, ambassadors, and other federal uniformed officers, as well as trial of federal officials impeached by the House.

Candidates (choose 1)

Bob Casey, Jr.

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Education: Holy Cross B.A. 1982 Catholic University Law Degree 1988

Qualifications: Auditor-General of Pennsylvania 1997-2005 Treasurer of Pennsylvania 2005-2007

United States Senator 2007-Present

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Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: The top three issues I am focused on are increasing access to affordable health care, protecting the programs Pennsylvanians depend on, and helping working families get ahead. That means stopping the Trump administration's sabotage of our health care system, defeating Republican attacks on Medicare, Medicaid, and Social Security, and fighting to raise wages, protect the rights of organized labor, and eliminate the obstacles holding working families back.

Q: *If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?*

A: The right to vote has been called our most precious right, and the "primary right by which all other rights are protected." I supported The Voting Rights Reconstruction Act of 2015, legislation which would restore the Voting Rights Act, and I oppose efforts to suppress voter turnout, and support measures to make voting easier for people. I oppose voter ID laws, and favor restoring voting rights to people after they have served their sentences. During the Kavanaugh confirmation fight, I have been working to make clear that I expect our next Supreme Court Justice to protect voting rights, and not dismantle the tools by which they are protected. No one should be stop eligible voters from casting their ballot. Earlier this year, I helped to secure \$13 million from the Election Assistance Commission to help secure Pennsylvania's election systems, and I am working in the Senate to appropriate more funds for election security.

Q: *What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?*

A: I will fight to ensure that the census is fully funded and I oppose Trump Administration efforts to undercount people in marginalized communities. It is vital that the census is accurate so that Americans are fairly represented in Congress.

Lou Barletta

Party: Republican



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Education: Attended Bloomsburg State College (Bloomsburg University) where I majored in elementary education.

Qualifications: As a former small business owner, mayor of Hazleton, and member of Congress, I have a strong record of standing up and fighting for people in my community.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: My top three priorities are keeping Pennsylvania's families safe, protecting Pennsylvania jobs, and standing up for the men and women who serve our communities. More than anything, people want someone willing to fight for them, when no one else will. That's what I have always done, and that's why I'm running for the U.S. Senate.

Q: *If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?*

A: Congress has a constitutional duty to preserve the integrity of our democracy and ensure that our elections are both free and fair. As a member of the House Homeland Security Committee, I have worked with my colleagues to make sure our voting systems are secure. I recently voted for increased funding for states to improve their election security, as well as increased funding to counter Russian cyber attacks. I also spoke out against the Pennsylvania Supreme Court's decision to throw out Pennsylvania's bipartisan, constitutionally-drawn congressional map in the middle of the election, creating chaos and confusion among voters.

Q: *What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?*

A: The Census is important to provide legislators with accurate information to make informed policy decisions that are in the best interest of our country. I continue to support efforts to fund the Census and ensure that it accurately reflects our nation's demographics.

Neal Taylor Gale

Party: Green



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Education: Drexel University - Architecture

Qualifications: For the past forty years I have worked in the energy conservation and efficiency fields, currently managing a comprehensive, low-income energy affordability program in conjunction with the six investor-owned utilities, in New Jersey.

campaign website: www.gale2018.com

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: 1. Remove Corporate, PAC, lobbyist and other special interests' money from the political process, to end the influence of those groups on specific legislation and the buying of political favors. 2. Generate the political will at the federal level of government to implement a transition from our existing fossil fuel economy to a 100% renewable energy economy, acknowledging the existential threat that climate change represents. 3. Reform our economic model to favor all of our citizens, not just the wealthiest 1%. This will include the re-regulation of the financial industries and the recognition that the economy should support a baseline standard of living, below which no one may be allowed to fall.

Q: *If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?*

A: I will fight for legislation to make voter registration as accessible as possible for all citizens, reversing unwarranted restrictions on voters. I would like to see election day become a national holiday and I would support federal funding to provide election day transportation for those citizens who would otherwise be unable to reach their polling place. I will support fair districting practices throughout the country, beginning with Pennsylvania. I will also champion the cause of providing resources to bring the latest voting technology into our polling places, replacing the existing, digital screen machines with those that incorporate paper balloting. I will support legislation to demand intelligence resources be assigned to recognize and thwart any attempts to alter our electoral system, by any means, digital or otherwise.

Q: *What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?*

A: I will review the proposed process to be used for the 2020 census, and introduce legislation that will ensure an accurate, unbiased count throughout the country. This will require a large number of well-trained census workers, canvassing urban areas, and rural districts, where citizens are less available to be counted, or are not comfortable responding to census forms. The entire process will need to be overseen by a competent supervisory team, knowledgeable in the significance and importance of accurate census data, eager to maintain accurate counts and records. I will also include in the legislation, a spending request so that all necessary resources will be adequately funded.

DALE R KERNS JR

PARTY: LIBERTARIAN



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Education: Widener University - Professional Studies, Project Management Sociology Master Electrician by trade

Qualifications: Founder and President of the Little Angels Foundation. Cabot Creamery Community Celebrity winner for volunteerism. Over 7 years in the non-profit sector in a volunteer capacity. Recently appointed to the James A Masterson Foundation advisory board.

campaign website: <https://dalekerns.com>

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: 1) We must address the opioid epidemic and end the War on Drugs. When I get to the US Senate, I will sponsor legislation that will fundamentally change how we view drug problems and move our system to one similar to Portugal or Switzerland, where drug addiction is treated as a medical issue. 2) Education is one of the most important issues our nation and Commonwealth face. As a father to two daughters, I am not pleased with the options (or lack thereof) that most parents have. I will vote to abolish the federal Department of Education and return decisions to parents, students, and local communities. 3) Our immigration system is broken. It can take decades for individuals to immigrate to this country legally. We should welcome those who come to the United States to make a better life for their families. Our communities have been built on the hard work of immigrants. I will vote to abolish ICE and to reform our immigration system by making it easier for good people to legally immigrate.

Q: *If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?*

A: I would work in the Senate to ensure that those who wish to vote can do so without any unnecessary hurdles. This would include rigid enforcement of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments and support of early voting and same-day voter registration, as well as opposition to any new voter ID laws. States maintain the right to conduct their elections as they please, but they must also abide by the aforementioned constitutional requirements, which were designed to protect the sanctity of the voting booth.

Q: *What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?*

A: Like any other government agency, the census should be held to high standards and tight budget restraints. As a U.S. Senator, I will insist that all possible options are explored, and that only the best companies and individuals are selected to partake in the census. This would include a rigorous vetting and screening process. Competition and accountability will vastly improve the results which we receive.

U.S. House of Representatives, District 1

Description:

The U.S. Constitution requires that the House of Representative be composed of elected Representatives (also called Congressmen or Congresswomen) from each State. There are 435 members of the House of Representatives. The number of Representatives from each state is proportioned according to its population, with 18 Representatives from Pennsylvania. A US Representative must (1) be at least twenty-five years old, (2) have been a citizen of the United States for the past seven years, and (3) be (at the time of the election) an inhabitant of the state they represent. A Representative's term of office is 2 years.

The House of Representatives is responsible for creating the budget and initiating bills to collect taxes and other money, although all bills must pass the Senate and be signed by the President. The House is also responsible for impeaching federal officials (the Senate then tries the case) and electing the President if there is a tie in the Electoral College.

Candidates (choose 1):

SCOTT WALLACE

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Education: Haverford College, B.A. Villanova Law School, J.D.

Qualifications: Attorney, US Senate counsel for Judiciary and Veterans Affairs Committees, legislative advocate for nonprofits working on criminal justice reform, 15 years running charitable foundation investing in democracy, womens' empowerment and climate change.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: Green jobs: Climate change is both a crisis and an opportunity. We must reverse Trump's cancellation of our domestic and international obligations, and pivot to the huge promise of a clean energy future – with millions of green jobs, carbon-free, in solar, wind, geothermal, and building retrofits for energy efficiency. It's time for Medicare for All. With less profits for huge insurance and pharmaceutical companies, total costs will plummet, with quality undiminished. I know personally: my wife and I just went on Medicare, and nothing went down but the cost. Money in politics corrupts everything, whether NRA money and guns, Wall Street money and consumer protections, polluters' money and pollution, or corporate money and a trillion dollars in tax breaks to corporations and billionaires. I won't take a dime of corporate PAC money. Unlike our current congressional Representative, nobody will ever have to wonder who the heck I'm working for.

Q: *If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?*

A: To guarantee voting rights for all Americans, I would work for automatic voter registration – every American is automatically registered to vote when they pay taxes or get a driver’s license. Extend opportunities for early voting. Restore the Voting Rights Act, to prevent discriminatory voter-suppression laws. Make it easier to vote, not harder. Ensure a paper trail for all ballots, to allow verifiable recounts, and reliable democracy. Fully document Russian interference in our 2016 elections, and work to make sure it never happens again.

Q: *What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?*

A: Block Trump’s plan to question people’s citizenship status. Millions of people will be afraid to answer, and the results will be disastrous, including misallocation of federal funding and congressional representation. The census bureau must be led by qualified professionals, fully staffed, and appropriately funded. An accurate census guides everything the government does, and every dollar it spends, for the next ten years. Skewed results will taint every governmental decision, and imbalance the fairness of our democracy.

Brian Fitzpatrick

Party: Republican



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County: BUCKS

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Education: La Salle University (BS) Pennsylvania State University (MBA) Pennsylvania State University Law (JD)

Qualifications: A dedicated public servant, Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick is not done with his fight to fix a broken Washington and make a difference for our communities.

campaign website: www.brianfitzpatrick.com

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: My top three priorities in office are: -Fighting back against the opioid crisis, by expanding access to treatment and providing additional resources (like in my INTERDICT Act that was signed into law) for our law enforcement to stop the illicit flow of deadly drugs like fentanyl into our communities. -Fixing a broken Washington and breaking through the partisan gridlock with a government reform plan that challenges career politicians: term limits for members of Congress, pass a budget or don’t get paid, and balance the budget. -Expanding economic opportunity and creating a regulatory environment where our small businesses can invest, grow, and hire.

Q: *If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?*

A: I have supported bipartisan legislation, the Voting Rights Amendment Act of 2017, which would fully modernize the original Voting Rights Act to ensure that the sacred right to vote is protected. To ensure that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats, I have supported \$380 million in election security funding as part of the Bipartisan Budget Deal earlier this year to replace aging voting machines, implement post-election audits, and provide cybersecurity

training. The bill also provided \$300 million to the FBI to counter Russian cyberattacks. Furthermore, I have cosponsored H.R.4884 - Defending Elections from Threats by Establishing Redlines (DETER) Act to make clear to Russia and other countries that there will be severe repercussions for any future interference in our democratic process. We must protect the integrity of our elections.

Q: *What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?*

A: I will support continued funding for the Census Bureau and take into account any budgetary request that the agency may have in fulfilling its important role in conducting the upcoming census. I will oppose efforts that would undermine the agency's mission and operational abilities to conduct an accurate count.

Governor

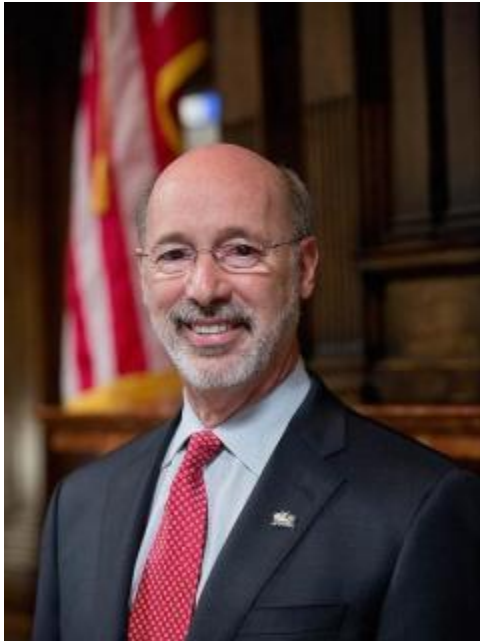
Description:

The **Governor of Pennsylvania** is an elected constitutional officer, the head of the executive branch and the highest state office in Pennsylvania. The Governor is popularly elected every four years by a plurality and is limited to two consecutive terms.

Candidates (choose 1):

Tom Wolf

Party: Democratic



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County: YORK

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Education: Dartmouth College (BA), the University of London (MA), and M.I.T. (PhD)

Qualifications: Business Owner, Secretary of Governor, Governor

Questions:

Q: *What are your top 3 priorities in office?*

A: Investing in our Kids and Schools: I have made clear my strong commitment to education in Pennsylvania by fully restoring education funding cuts made in the previous administration, providing unprecedented support to high-quality pre-k programs, and ensuring students are college and career ready by expanding opportunities for career and technical education. Grow Jobs and Support Workers: I have eliminated burdensome taxes on businesses like the Capital Stock and Franchise Tax and I am working to grow the economy by moving forward on large projects. I have and will continue to invest

in manufacturing, apprenticeships, and workforce development initiatives. Protect Our Seniors and Access to Health Care: I took immediate action to provide health insurance to more than 720,000 Pennsylvanians by expanding Medicaid, and under my administration the commonwealth's uninsured rate is the lowest it has ever been. I have also increased opportunities for seniors to age in their homes.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I have long supported a independent citizen's redistricting commission. We must eliminate partisan politics from the legislative redistricting process by enacting legislation to end gerrymandering by establishing an independent, bi-partisan commission to create future electoral maps. I also stood up to the House State Government Committee Republican majority's last-minute move to gut and replace House Bill 722, which was intended to create an independent redistricting commission, with a redistricting process that is more politically driven. To rebuild trust in Harrisburg, we must have fair and accessible elections for all citizens from our rural communities to our big cities.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: Yes, I have long advocated for voting modernization. Upon coming into office, I launched online voter registration and now more than a million Pennsylvanians have used it. I also launched a voter information texting initiative and a program to get high school seniors to register to vote. I also directed the Pennsylvania Department of State to require new voting machines to have a voter-verifiable paper ballot or paper record of votes cast. I recently launched a 21st century voting reform plan that includes same day voter registration, automatic voter registration, modernization of absentee ballots, campaign finance reform, and gerrymandering reform.

Scott R Wagner

Party: Republican



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Questions:

Q: *What are your top 3 priorities in office?*

A: Overhauling governmental impositions is a top priority. On day one, I will employ zero-based budgeting, introducing a transparent budget process that will make sense for taxpayers and investing

in what works to end wasteful and ineffective spending. With over 153,000 regulations and a regulatory authority out of control, meaningful regulation reform must be implemented, such as my current proposal to count, cap, and reduce. Second, I have been all over Pennsylvania and I have heard my mission loud and clear, I will eliminate property taxes as Governor. Many of our children are receiving an outstanding education, but the reality is that too many students are graduating from high school without the necessary skills to be successful in college or the workforce. We must retool and redesign our education system to ensure today's students are adequately prepared to be tomorrow's adults. Without a major overhaul, we will continue to do a great disservice to our children and their educators.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: The Pennsylvania Supreme Court's decision to overstep its bounds and override the legislature by drawing its own maps did a great disservice to the citizens of Pennsylvania. In light of this travesty, I would support an independent citizens redistricting commission to ensure that Pennsylvanians will have access to fair and equal elections when it comes time to work on maps after the 2020 census.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: Pennsylvania is among only 13 states that do not use paper ballots or have paper backup systems for electronic voting machines. I support the decision of the Department of State to require counties to replace their voting machines with systems that have paper trails. Pennsylvania has received \$13.5 million in federal funding and the state is also required to provide a 5% match to this money. Thus, Pennsylvania has \$14.15 million to help counties fund the purchase of these new voting machines. It is critical that state government make sure that counties have adequate funds available to ensure that they can meet their responsibility as it relates to voting systems.

Paul Glover

Party: Green



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Education: Degrees in Marketing and in City Management

Qualifications: Taught Urban Studies at Temple University. Taught Ecological Economics at Philadelphia University. Founder of more than a dozen organizations for ecology and justice. Author of six books on community economic development.

campaign website:

<http://www.paulglover.org/governor>

Questions:

Q: *What are your top 3 priorities in office?*

A: 1. Shift the State budget toward ecology and justice. Aggressively fund energy efficiencies and expand tax credits for solar/wind/ cogeneration, to reduce demand for fossil fuels and end fracking. Move money from prisons to jobs and schools, and from roadbuilding to transit. 2. Fully employ all Pennsylvanians to rebuild cities, suburbs and farms toward balance with nature, partly with regional credits and regional stock exchanges, as described in my book Green Jobs Philly. I will establish the Green Labor Administration (GLAD) to employ 500,000 Pennsylvanians without raising taxes. The larger purpose is to begin the transition from the Middle Class to what i call the Mutual Class. 3. Permit formation of community-based medical cooperatives, to provide a genuinely nonprofit base for statewide universal health coverage that is affordable, democratic, and humane. This is how Canada's single payer system began.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Support independent drafting of legislative boundaries. Computer-generated drafts should inform the Commission. Meetings should be transparent, with public welcome.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: Favor returning to paper ballots, permitting no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day registration. The Green Party has long advocated Instant Runoff Voting, also known as Ranked Choice Voting, to end the "spoiler" argument against minor parties.

Ken V Krawchuk

Party: Libertarian



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Education: B.S. Physics St. Joseph's University, Abington
Citizens Police Academy

Qualifications: Business Owner, Student of the Pennsylvania Constitution, Distinguished Toastmaster, Inventor with 3 U.S. Patents, Author, Husband, Father, Grandfather, and a good sense of humor.

campaign website: <https://kenk4pa.com>

Questions:

Q: What are your top 3 priorities in office?

A: The theme of the Krawchuk campaign is Death and Taxes. My goal is to reduce both dramatically. Under the two old parties, the cost of government has been rising on average at over 3 times the inflation rate for over 50 years. To end that trend, I promise to veto every tax increase, aggressively use the line item veto, eliminate property taxes and reduce the corporate tax. To reduce deaths, it's time to end the Opioid Crisis. Four out of five opioid deaths can be prevented by following Portugal's

example and ending the insane War on Drugs. Addiction should be treated as a medical issue, not a criminal one. To help save lives, the right to keep and bear arms should be strongly supported because gun control kills. John Lott, a researcher at the University of Chicago, found that if a woman resists an attacker, she's twice as likely to be seriously injured. But if she resists with a handgun, she's half as likely to be seriously injured. In other words, handguns are a girl's best friend.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I strongly support reforming our redistricting process. Look at any map of political districts and you can plainly see that the legislature has failed horribly in its constitutionally-mandated task to create "election districts of compact and contiguous territory". An independent redistricting commission would certainly be a step in the right direction, but there is a better, broader solution, not only to redistricting, but also to midnight pay raises, unfair ballot access, illegal gun grabs, and more. That solution would be to re-establish the "Council of Censors" created by Benjamin Franklin. The Council was composed of two citizens from each city and county whose role was to "censure" the legislators by vetoing legislation that was not in keeping with the constitution, calling constitutional conventions, even ordering impeachments. The Council was eliminated a few short months after Franklin's death; it would honor Pennsylvania's most famous citizen if it were re-established.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: There are two ways to subvert an election: Stop honest citizens from voting, and stop worthy candidates from running. To make certain voting is honest, I strongly support voter-verifiable ballots. The way they work, when you vote you get two printouts of your vote. One copy is yours to keep as a record, and the other is signed by the voter and kept by the state as the official record and to be used for recounts. The chances for hacking an election vanish. To encourage worthy candidates to run, ballot access for independents and third parties should be made equal to that of the two old parties, as mandated by the Pennsylvania Constitution, not two and a half to thirty-three times higher. For example, this year I needed 5,000 signatures to get my name on the ballot for governor. The statewide candidates from the two old parties only needed 1,000 or 2,000. Is that equal? Is that fair?

Lieutenant Governor

Description:

The Lieutenant Governor is President of the Senate and Chair of the Board of Pardons. He presides over the Senate, but has no vote unless the Senate is equally divided. The Constitution provides that he shall be chosen at the same time, in the same manner, for the same term, and subject to the same provisions as the Governor, and that in case of the death, conviction or impeachment, failure to qualify, resignation, or other disability of the Governor, the powers, duties, and emoluments of the office for the remainder of the term or until the disability be removed shall devolve upon the Lieutenant Governor.

Candidates (choose 1):

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Qualifications: Mayor of Braddock for 13 yrs - drastically reduced food and clothing insecurity - eliminated heat insecurity this year - successfully implemented community policing model Founder of Braddock Redux Director for Out-Of-School Youth Program

Questions:

Q: *What are your top 3 priorities in office?*

A: I will be a progressive backstop for the Governor, advocate for economic justice and our forgotten communities in Pennsylvania, and utilize and transform the office of the Lt Governor to its fullest potential.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Congressional and legislative districts should be drawn to ensure that candidates and elected officials are held accountable by voters. Boundaries should protect the interests of all voters and protect voting rights, and should not show preference to one political affiliation. We recently had a huge win with redistricting in Pennsylvania. I would certainly support formalized citizen input for a more fair and unbiased redistricting process.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I support any reform that gets more people to turn out to vote, and makes voting easier. In addition to the above measures I think we should make Election Day a holiday and get more working people to the polls.

Jeff Bartos

Party: Republican

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Municipality: LOWER MERION TOWNSHIP

County: MONTGOMERY

Questions:

Q: *What are your top 3 priorities in office?*

A: - no response -

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: - no response -

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: - no response -

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Education: B.A. degree in biology from Temple University
Qualifications: I will excel as a Lt. Gov. because my scientific background and life experiences have prepared me to be a critical thinker, a leader and adept at conducting comprehensive research and reading and intelligently analyzing large amounts of data.

Questions:

Q: What are your top 3 priorities in office?

A: 1. Reduce the future environmental damage and human suffering from climate change and the current ruination of people's health, safety and property values by banning gas and oil fracking and the building of pipelines that carry gas or natural gas liquids. We must improve energy efficiency, use less energy, and eliminate dirty energy systems of which fossil fuels are the biggest component by becoming 100% reliant by 2050 on clean & renewable energy sources. By adopting laws such as HB2132/SB1140 that reinforce the goal of becoming solely reliant on 100% clean energy we will improve our health, save lives, and create thousands of green jobs. 2. End poverty that forces people to live in unhealthy homes, be homeless, and fear that they or their family members will have to go hungry or do without vital medical/mental health services. 3. Protect the economic, social & political rights of women, racial minorities, believers of any faith & those of any gender identity or sexual orientation.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Yes. Citizens not holding political office should decide because voting is supposed to help maintain a just and orderly society and they should help decide how things should work politically because the quality of their lives will be improved or destroyed based on how these districts are organized.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: There must be online & same-day registration, early voting and an election day as a holiday. The Electoral College should be eliminated but as long as we have it legislation must be passed that forces the votes of these delegates in PA to reflect the popular vote in PA. Our elections throughout PA should be decided by STAR voting and proportional representation. New voting machines must be used throughout PA that have verifiable paper ballots and are not connected to the internet.

Kathleen S. Smith

PARTY: LIBERTARIAN

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Questions:

Q: *What are your top 3 priorities in office?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: - no response -

PA 6th Senatorial District

Description:

The Pennsylvania Senate is the upper house of our bicameral (two house legislature). There are 50 members who sit for four year terms. Senators must be at least 25 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service. Members of the Pennsylvania Senate are, along with the House of Representatives, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

Candidates (choose 1):

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Education: BA, LaSalle University

Qualifications: I am currently a State Representative (D-141) and have served in this position since 2011. Previously, I served as a township councilperson from 2006 to 2010. I was a real estate salesperson for many years and have a BA from LaSalle University.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: We need better funding for our schools, higher wages for middle-class families, and real protections for women's rights across Pennsylvania. >Funding for our schools: It is imperative that we find a way to adequately and permanently fund our schools. Pennsylvania cannot continue to strip schools of funding forcing local school districts to raise property taxes on already beleaguered property taxpayers. I believe we need to raise fees on oil and gas companies that drill in Pennsylvania and use these funds to help finance our schools. >Protecting our middle class: I will fight for better wages for our middle and working class families to break from their years of stagnant income growth. > Protecting women's rights: women's healthcare is under attack in Pennsylvania and I will ensure that women in Bucks and across the Commonwealth have access to the healthcare services they need.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I am a strong advocate for electoral and redistricting reform. Voters should choose their representatives -- representatives should not be choosing their voters. We need a fair and reasonable process where the potential for partisan abuse is minimized. Across America, voters have been dismayed by hyper-partisan legislatures implementing unfair redistricting plans. I believe these kinds of political games compromise the integrity of our political system. I support an independent citizen's redistricting commission to fairly and honestly redraw Pennsylvania's legislative districts. We need an open and transparent redistricting commission that reflects the will of the people, not the self-interests of legislators.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I support any reform that will widen voter participation while still protecting our voting system from being compromised by foreign governments or other bad actors. We need to invest in technology upgrades to ensure that our electoral system is secure from the problems that we faced in 2016. At the same time, we need to remove barriers to voting that plague many Americans. Every American should enjoy the right to vote. These reforms should include same-day registration, no-excuse

absentee voting, and early voting. Government needs to work to making voting easy, more convenient, and open to all.

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Education: Bachelors of Science, West Chester University, 1970; Mortuary Science, Miami Dade University, 1971

Qualifications: PA State Representative, 18th District 1990-1994 PA State Senator, 6th District, 1994-Present

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Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: As Senator of the 6th district, I have always focused on creating jobs and spurring economic growth. I authored legislation that has created over 22,000 jobs across the Commonwealth, including over 2,500 local jobs in Lower Bucks County. As the Vice-Chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee, I voted to support the Transportation Bill, which created thousands of jobs, while improving our infrastructure. My second priority is the pension liability. This debt will continue to haunt future generations of Pennsylvanians. I voted for SB 1, which will help protect taxpayers while saving over \$15 billion. In addition, I sponsored a Severance Tax on Natural Gas and will use that money to lessen burden on taxpayers. Finally, I'm committed to providing a safe environment for a good public education for our children. I have supported record funding to Basic Education, while voting for \$60 million to help fund Safe School grants in order to protect our children.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Absolutely. I have been a co-sponsor of SB22 since 2017. I believe when you look at what has occurred in Bucks County, that is a perfect example as to why we need a change in the current law. Between the changes in the 141st Legislative District, which removed a portion of Middletown to pick up the Boroughs of Hulmeville and Pennel; and, the changes in the 31st Legislative District, where a Republican majority of Upper Makefield was removed for a more Democratic municipality of Morrisville, which had serious effects on the election in 2016. I am proud to represent a Senate District that is 13 WHOLE and CONTIGIOUS municipalities. In addition, there is an overwhelming Democrat voter registration advantage. I believe when you represent the people, instead of a party or ideology, the voter registration doesn't matter.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I believe that Voting is our most precious right and it must be protected at all costs. I think the Commonwealth has done a fantastic job with the Voter Registration online system, that has enabled masses of citizens the ability to register. I am always open for conversation regarding some other modernization reforms; however, I do believe that some of these reforms could have unintended consequences. After several talks with members of the League, I am open to support increased funding to ensure our elections are secure; I believe we must look for a proper way to fund this initiative, and I look forward to working with the League on this issue.

PA 10th Senatorial District

Description:

The Pennsylvania Senate is the upper house of our bicameral (two house legislature). There are 50 members who sit for four-year terms. Senators must be at least 25 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service. Members of the Pennsylvania Senate are, along with the House of Representatives, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

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Education: B.A., Tufts University J.D., University of Pennsylvania Law School M.Ed., Holy Family University

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: My top three priorities are rebuilding our economy, strengthening our communities, and protecting our democracy. The key to more jobs, better jobs and higher wages is education. It starts in early childhood, continues through the primary and secondary levels and runs through college and job training. Great communities don't just happen; they require hard work. We need to support our state and local police who are on the frontlines of protecting us every day and make sure that the resources are there that support law enforcement, such as treatment for mental health and addiction and, once and for all, a system of universal background checks on all firearm purchases to help prevent gun violence. For our democracy to work, its institutions have to function. We need to end gerrymandering and create a non-partisan commission to decide congressional and state lines; we need campaign finance reform; and we need to make it easier for people to vote.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: We need to stop the practice whereby elected officials pick their voters. It's supposed to be the other way around. I support the creation of a non-partisan commission to decide congressional and state legislative lines.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: Let's make it easier for people to vote, not harder. I support early voting and voting by mail. Both have worked in other states; they can work here too. I also support no-excuse absentee voting, same day voter registration, and additional investments into upgrading out voting technology and security.

Marguerite Quinn

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Education: St. Joseph's University, B.A. International Relations; Archbishop Wood High School

Qualifications: As a State Representative, I have a proven record of putting aside partisan politics and working with everyone to achieve real results and pass legislation to make a positive difference for the people I serve, our local community, and Pennsylvania.

Questions:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: 1. I have always made education my top priority and delivered more funding for basic education than ever before. We must continue to adequately fund schools, move away from reliance on standardized testing, and support proven, innovational tools to prepare children for success. 2. As Representative, I have brought fiscal discipline to state government by focusing on priorities and spending wisely instead of simply spending more to protect taxpayers while still meeting the goals of the state. I have also supported measures like a fair natural gas severance tax, public pension reform and more to help us reach a strong financial foundation for state operations. 3. Protecting our quality of life by addressing the myriad of issues our communities face. From supporting measures that deal with gun violence, to combating the opioid epidemic, to addressing environmental concerns, to improving our healthcare system, and more. I have a proven record of results, and a smart plan for the future.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: I do support this reform, and I am a co-sponsor of legislation, supported by Fair Districts PA, to create an independent redistricting commission to help remove politics from this process.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: My first goal with any possible voting reforms is to ensure the sanctity of the ballot and security of our voting systems. Because of this, I will carefully examine any proposal to avoid any unintended consequences that could result in fraud or ballot insecurity. I do agree with recent changes allowing voter registration on-line; I also would vote to allow 17 year olds who will be 18 by Election Day to pre-register to vote, and would support absentee ballot changes that make it easier for people to vote by mail. I also believe we must allow counties to add paper trails to electronic machines to ensure that we have tangible items that can be referenced in cases of recounts or disputes.

PA 12th Senatorial District

Description:

The Pennsylvania Senate is the upper house of our bicameral (two house legislature). There are 50 members who sit for four year terms. Senators must be at least 25 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service. Members of the Pennsylvania Senate are, along with the House of Representatives, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

Candidates (choose 1):

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Education: BSN Drexel University JD Rutgers University BA (English Lit.) University of Maryland

Qualifications: As a lawyer for children victimized by abuse, as a nurse, as the mom of a young son, as caregiver to my aging father, and as a wife and proud community member, I have always been and will always be a listener and advocate for those in need.

Questions:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: As a Senator in the 12th District, I will advocate for Pennsylvanians to have access to affordable, quality healthcare, including working to address the opioid epidemic plaguing our communities; I will work to ensure that our public education institutions have the funding they need to ensure

Pennsylvania's children are competitive and prepared for college, trades and careers that will ensure successful, productive lives; and I will fight to ensure that all Pennsylvanians earn a living wage for an honest day's work.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I fully support efforts to reform the process for drawing legislative districts and implementing an independent, non-partisan commission to draw fair district lines that ensure voters' voices are heard in every election. Voting is a right afforded to all Americans by the Constitution and any efforts which seek to abridge that right should be examined and reformed.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I am supportive of voting modernization reforms including automatic voter registration, no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades, increasing online access for people with disabilities, increasing the number of languages in which voting information is available and published, and removing registration barriers for currently and formerly incarcerated individuals. The addition of these policies will go a long way toward protecting the right to vote that is afforded to all Americans by the Constitution.

Stewart Greenleaf, Jr.

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Education: B.A.-University of Maryland, College Park, MD; J.D.-American University, Washington College of Law

Qualifications: Former County Controller who uncovered theft of taxpayer funds, exposed ethical violations and improved the timing and accuracy of financial reporting and audits; community volunteer, husband, father and lifelong resident of the 12th Senate District.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: My top priorities fall into three primary areas: 1. Education– ensuring adequate funding to deliver safe, quality schools for all children; supporting educational innovation that makes our schools more effective in preparing students for their adult lives; and increasing focus on technical and vocational education that prepare students for jobs without significant college debt. 2. Economic– bringing commonsense fiscal discipline to state budgeting and operations so we are looking as closely at the spending side of the ledger as we are at the revenue side; and, supporting pro-growth policies that make it easier for current and potential employers to create jobs and drive economic growth that

helps all citizens. 3. Protecting Our Communities– by supporting initiatives that help prevent gun violence; combating the heroin epidemic gripping our state; promoting environmental initiatives (particularly parks and trails projects); and supporting projects important to local communities.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I believe strongly in removing partisan politics from the legislative redistricting process and would support an independent redistricting process provided we can ensure it remains truly independent of partisan or special interest influence.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: My primary goal – and the goal of most citizens – when considering any changes to our voting system must be ensuring the sanctity of the ballot, and we must avoid passing reforms that unwittingly result in increased fraud or reduced ballot security. With that in mind, I do support numerous initiatives to increase ballot security as well access and ease of voting in our state. These include things like allowing a paper trail for all electronic voting machines, implementing an early voting period, allowing 17 year olds who will be 18 by Election Day to pre-register, and increased opportunities for absentee ballot voting.

PA 24th Senatorial District

Description:

The Pennsylvania Senate is the upper house of our bicameral (two house legislature). There are 50 members who sit for four year terms. Senators must be at least 25 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service. Members of the Pennsylvania Senate are, along with the House of Representatives, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

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Qualifications: Community Advocate 35 yrs Accomplished Labor Organizer 28yrs Skilled in Negotiations & Mediation 20yrs Public Speaking 25yrs Founder & President of Sportsmom Inc. Co Founder & President of Heart to Heart Circle of Life formally Weekend of Life

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: Education Healthcare Human, Social & Economic Justice

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Yes I Support an Independent non partisan Citizen Commission and it should be implemented thru Statewide Legislation. It is imperative that there is a Independent Commission to stop partisan gerrymandering. The citizens of Pennsylvania are the government and should not be ruled by the personal whims of a partisan legislature. Too long this has been the reverse. The oversight of a nonpartisan Commission will ensure fairness and eliminates partisan lines from being drawn by party line legislators.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I support all of the above "Except Same Day Registration" unless ... the persons birthday falls on the day prior to the election. In this case the individuals would pre-register and once clarified they would receive notice they are eligible to vote.

Bob Mensch

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Education: Upper Perkiomen High School; Valley Forge Military College, A.B., Business

Qualifications: Pink Ribbon Awardee by the Pennsylvania Breast Cancer Coalition; Vice Chairman of the PA Senate Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee and Legislative Budget and Finance Committee Chair; U.S. Army Engineers Reserve (1966-1972)

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: 1) Promoting opportunity for all Pennsylvanians through economic growth, tax cuts, government fiscal restraint and pension reform. 2) Protecting open space to keep water clean, preserve family farms and promote the scenic beauty of our community. 3) Ensuring our schools enable our children to successfully pursue whatever path in life they choose as best for them, and, protecting our children from any safety threat at school.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Increasing the voice of citizens and having more transparency is always a good thing. Our current system places these decisions in the Legislature who are accountable to voters.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: Gov. Tom Wolf's issued a directive for counties to buy voting machines that use a voter-verifiable paper ballot or record. I agree with this directive. While technology is helpful, having a paper record can only increase accuracy and protect against hacking.

PA 18th Legislative District

Description:

The Pennsylvania House of Representatives is the lower house of our bicameral (two house) legislature. There are 203 members who sit for two year terms in single member districts. Representatives must be 21 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service.. Members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives are, along with the Senate, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

Candidates (choose 1):

Jimmy Lamb

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County: BUCKS

Education: Bensalem High School Penn State Abington (Studying Psychology and Social Sciences)

Qualifications: Meets the qualifications of constitution and a drive to make the world a better place.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: Education is paramount to me. It is the center of who we all are. We interact with people whom have been affected by education. Common sense gun reform. We need to make every aspect of our world safer. Workers rights are important for everyone, fore if we do not aim to better our environment to work we will all suffer.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: It is important that an independent redistricting commission is instituted because we should not have people with vested interest in districts with a particular party swing. This will make it more difficult to gerrymander.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I am in favor of all the listed suggestions for voting reform. These are important: no excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day registration, newer/safer voting technology.

Gene Digirolamo

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County: BUCKS

Education: Attended Holy Family University Attended Delaware Vally College Bishop Egan High School, 1968

Qualifications: Current State Representative of the 18th District

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: Human service funding, education funding, and protecting state Medicaid.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Yes, I am a co-sponsor of House Bill 722.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: All of them.

PA 29th Legislative District

Description:

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Candidates (choose 1):



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Qualifications: Past Chair, Environmental Advisory Council of Warminster Township School Board Director, Centennial School Board

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: My top three priorities are to fund properly K-12 & public higher education in this state so we are not overburdening senior citizens at the property-tax level or overburdening our young people with student loan debt even when they attend supposedly affordable public higher education institutions; to protect our environment and water supplies and ensure the principle that anyone who uses them or does business here must leave them as they found them; and to work with legislators to pass common sense gun safety measures for the protection of our children and communities. I want to work with Governor Wolf and the legislature to pass budgets in a timely manner, so we can move past partisan bickering and get down to the business of governing this state in a way that works for working families.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I would support any method that does not involve legislators picking their voters, rather than voters picking their legislators. This particular idea certainly seems promising; whether I could support it or not would depend on the particulars. Any method that involves politicians making appointments to a commission is bound to become political, no matter what type of person gets appointed. I would ideally like to see the members of the commission randomized, or districting to be computer-aided in a way that guarantees the simplest possible borders of districts while complying with federal regulations regarding minority representation and considering communities of interest. The most important thing is to work as hard as possible to achieve FAIR districts.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I would support no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, and funding for voting technology upgrades while at the same time requiring a physical paper trail tied to each vote exists. I also think reforms to campaign finance laws that keep as much special interest money of politics as possible are essential for guaranteeing a fair and truly democratic system where politicians are beholden to citizens, and not a handful of well-heeled groups representing small niches of policy concerns.

Meghan Schroeder

Party: Republican

Biographical Info: No Response

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: - no response -

PA 31st Legislative District

Description:

The Pennsylvania House of Representatives is the lower house of our bicameral (two house) legislature. There are 203 members who sit for two year terms in single member districts. Representatives must be 21 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service. Members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives are, along with the Senate, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

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Qualifications: State Representative, 2017-present; Newtown Borough Council, 2009-2017; Attorney, Business Owner and Father of five children

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Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: Ensuring: - High quality, safe and affordable education at every level. "High quality" includes quality, well-educated teachers, adequate building and curriculum materials and programs that educate students of diverse talents and backgrounds. "Safe" includes safety from gun violence, bullying and discrimination. "Affordable...at every level" includes pre-K, K-12 and college. - Functional, effective, ethical and cost-efficient government. Reducing the gridlock and working together to accomplish objectives. Providing effective constituent services to our residents. Maintaining high ethical standards. - Environmental protection, including clean water and air and maintaining regulatory oversight of industries that impact the environment, and enacting a fair severance tax on drilling. - Fair districting and fair voting reform would be in the top three; however, those topics are covered in the next two questions.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Yes. I am a cosponsor of the House Bill that would create an independent redistricting commission and would represent a significant step toward reducing partisan gerrymandering. Voters should choose their representatives, rather than politicians choose their voters. Congressional and state representative and senate districts should be drawn in a logical geographic and community-based manner, reflective of the communities, and should not be designed to maximizing the representation of a political party.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I support no-excuse absentee voting, early voting and funding for voting technology upgrades and to ensure the security of our voting technology. I support same-day voter registration, so long as it can be safeguarded (e.g., to prevent a voter from voting in Precinct A and then going and registering and voting again in Precinct B). In the internet age, Pennsylvania's absentee voting system is archaic. It requires a voter first to complete and mail an application, then to wait for a ballot to in the mail, complete it and mail it in again, to arrive the Friday before the election. This system disenfranchises people who have to travel on short notice, who become ill, or who don't think to start the voting process weeks before election day. Voting technology security is essential. In addition, I oppose voter suppression legislation. It is our government's constitutional duty to ensure that citizens can vote and that the candidate who receives the most votes from voters is elected.

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Qualifications: Former Township Supervisor, local business owner, community volunteer, and life long resident, with many years of experience, and a record of commitment to our community,

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: My priorities will be the priorities of the people I serve in our community. In having met with thousands of them, they want a government that serves them by: 1. Protecting our tax dollars through smart fiscal management that looks first to control spending and increase efficiency before turning to tax increases. Items like pension reform and mandate relief are key, along with policies that spark economic and job growth. 2. Ensuring that education continues to be the state's top priority through not only fair and adequate funding, but also through increased use of technology and improved accountability. We must also listen to the concerns of those on the front lines: teachers, parents and administrators, to ensure we are providing the best education for our children. 3. Providing for the safety and success of our community through everything from measures that combat opioids and address school safety, to economic development initiatives, and programs to protect our environment.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: While there are certainly reforms that can be made to the redistricting process to ensure a more transparent process and better outcome, we must be wary of making changes for the wrong reasons. Far too often, those complaining about redistricting are special interests (from both sides) who did not get what they want. Providing additional independent oversight, expanded citizen input, and more can achieve many of the goals we all share without turning away from a process simply to answer the complaints of special interests.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: My goal – and the goal of every citizen – with any voting reforms would be to ensure that our system, and every person's ballot, remains secure. Doing so requires that any change considered is carefully examined to avoid unintentional negative results. I agree with reforms, such as recent approval of on-line voter registration, as well as increased absentee ballot changes that will make it easier for people to vote by mail, allowing 17 year olds who will be 18 by Election Day to pre-register, and providing for paper trails for all electronic voting machines.

PA 140th Legislative District

Description:

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Candidates (choose 1):

John T Galloway

Party: Democratic

Biographical Info:

Municipality: FALLS

County: BUCKS

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: - no response -

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: - no response -

PA 141st Legislative District

Description:

The Pennsylvania House of Representatives is the lower house of our bicameral (two house) legislature. There are 203 members who sit for two year terms in single member districts. Representatives must be 21 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service.. Members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives are, along with the Senate, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

Candidates (choose 1):

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Education: BA, LaSalle University

Qualifications: I am currently a State Representative (D-141) and have served in this position since 2011. Previously, I served as a township councilperson from 2006 to 2010. I was a real estate salesperson for many years and have a BA from LaSalle University.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: We need better funding for our schools, higher wages for middle-class families, and real protections for women's rights across Pennsylvania. >Funding for our schools: It is imperative that we find a way to adequately and permanently fund our schools. Pennsylvania cannot continue to strip schools of funding forcing local school districts to raise property taxes on already beleaguered property taxpayers. I believe we need to raise fees on oil and gas companies that drill in Pennsylvania and use these funds to help finance our schools. >Protecting our middle class: I will fight for better wages for our middle and working class families to break from their years of stagnant income growth. > Protecting women's rights: women's healthcare is under attack in Pennsylvania and I will ensure that women in Bucks and across the Commonwealth have access to the healthcare services they need.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I am a strong advocate for electoral and redistricting reform. Voters should choose their representatives -- representatives should not be choosing their voters. We need a fair and reasonable process where the potential for partisan abuse is minimized. Across America, voters have been dismayed by hyper-partisan legislatures implementing unfair redistricting plans. I believe these kinds of political games compromise the integrity of our political system. I support an independent citizen's redistricting commission to fairly and honestly redraw Pennsylvania's legislative districts. We need an open and transparent redistricting commission that reflects the will of the people, not the self-interests of legislators.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I support any reform that will widen voter participation while still protecting our voting system from being compromised by foreign governments or other bad actors. We need to invest in technology upgrades to ensure that our electoral system is secure from the problems that we faced in 2016. At the same time, we need to remove barriers to voting that plague many Americans. Every American

should enjoy the right to vote. These reforms should include same-day registration, no-excuse absentee voting, and early voting. Government needs to work to making voting easy, more convenient, and open to all.

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Education: Some College. Over 33 yrs as a Retail Manager, Business Owner, Real Estate & Life Ins Licence.

Qualifications: Knowledge of Economics, 4 yrs on Neshaminy School Board. 2012-16 myself & dedicated members made tax payers & students #1. No politics. We added: All day kindergarten, ended Teacher strike, Built new school+STEM, Razed Bond & district rating & more.

Questions:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: Act as a Fiduciary for taxpayers with their money. Try to get support for addressing the Pension Crisis in the Commonwealth. Try to solve Funding disparity between Charter Schools and Public Schools. Public Schools have State Mandated requirements that private schools do not. These Disparities need to be fixed. Help to facilitate more and better jobs in our Lower Bucks Community. Try to promote awareness of the programs offered by our Commonwealth for the unemployed & under employed. Do what ever I can to be a cheer leader for our district and the businesses that chose to locate here. I realize that I have an aggressive agenda but we need to make life better in Pennsylvania.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Yes. Personally I would like to see everyone register independent, with one vote in the primary to pick the best candidate. They could vote Republican or Democrat in the primary but make only vote once. If that was possible there would be no way to predict what they would do. I believe there would be less pandering. Yes I would, I would like to see members of every political party represented on that commission. The idea to me of which gang do you belong to is keeping us from doing the work of the people.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: First, I think we need to have serious Voter ID laws. The rest is important but we need to be sure of the integrity of the vote.

PA 142nd Legislative District

Description:

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Candidates (choose 1):

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Education: MEd from PennGSE, BA Psychology from Florida International University

Qualifications: This is my first time running for political office. I am a single mother, and have managed my own tutoring business for 10 years, and earned my master's degree in education from UPenn. I'm also a member of my township's Environmental Advisory Council

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: My first priority is to increase state funding for public schools, and support the Pennsylvania Promise. Not only does the state need to provide more support for K-12 public schools, but Pennsylvania also needs to help more students get a college degree. Another top priority of mine is to protect the environment, especially the air and water, from fracking and other forms of environmental pollution. Healthcare is also a top priority; as a beneficiary of the Affordable Care Act and the CHIP program, I fully support funding these programs to help more families afford healthcare. Another major priority is to keep taxes low for families and small businesses, without sacrificing funding for education. I agree with the PA Budget and Policy Center's proposal for paying for the Pennsylvania Promise.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Absolutely. I support an independent commission to redraw the electoral map. It's the only fair way to ensure the democratic process. When districts have been gerrymandered, they discount the voices of some, and unfairly weight the voices of others. I was elated that the Pennsylvania Supreme Court

ruled in favor of the League of Women Voters', and agreed that the congressional districts had been gerrymandered for political gain. I'd like to see the state assembly districts given the same attention. How poetic, that almost 100 years after women fought for democracy through the right to vote, women are still fighting for democracy through fairly drawn districts. I will support legislation that allows an independent commission to draw the electoral map. One person should be entitled to one vote in a democracy, and an independent commission will ensure that each person's voice counts the same.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: Voting is the most important fundamental right of any citizen in a democracy. I support no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration as well as additional funding for voting technology upgrades. It's important for students away at school, or service members away on military duty, to have easy access to vote via absentee ballots. Early voting is an important way to ensure that all members of a community will have the ability and time to vote, given their busy schedules with work and family obligations. Same day voter registration is important, because in today's society, there's no reason why a resident with proof of their address in the district should be denied his or her right to vote in an election, simply because of a missed deadline weeks before. Finally, voting technology, like any other technology, needs to be upgraded to accommodate the developments that ensure accurate and secure voting processes.

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Qualifications: Lifelong resident of the district. 29 year decorated vol firefighter including 18 yrs as Fire Chief. Former Asst. Township Manager, Middletown Township. Author or co-author of 19 laws enacted by both Dem and Rep Governors.

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Questions:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: First and foremost we need to focus on our schools. The first step is continuing to invest money into our public school system. We have passed budgets with record numbers of education funding, all without having to raise taxes. We need to keep our investments in public education growing. We also have to secure and protect our kids. I co-authored the law that created a school safety tip system and ultimately included \$60 million in school safety grants. We also must enact common sense ideas to keep guns out of the hands of mentally ill and/or violent individuals.. Lastly, we must continue to give support to our first responders. As a fire chief I see everyday the risks people take to protect our

community. We must support police, fire, and ems and I am looking forward to being one of the loudest advocates for those who serve.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I do and I am a co-sponsor of the bill to do just that. I think that it is imperative that we get the partisanship out of redistricting. For too long politicians have had too much influence in the drawing of their districts. The end result has been a government run by people elected by the extremes of each party. The incentive is to make your side happy, not to work in a constructive way to solve the problems facing Pennsylvania. We need people elected to office who want to solve problems and work together, not partisan bulldogs looking to do nothing more than score political points. I am a problem solver that has worked across the aisle to attract jobs, protect working families, and to put the needs of our community first. I believe non-partisan redistricting could help Harrisburg work again.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: Obviously, I think that we should be looking for ways to increase voter participation. I believe we must also protect the integrity of the process of voting, so we can have confidence in the system. I support upgrading technology and making sure that the use of technology is as secure as possible. No excuse absentee ballot voting also makes sense to me as does early voting. One other idea that I believe deserves more study are more open primaries - either letting independents vote in the primary of their choice or a totally open system. I think either of these reforms would lead to candidates more focused on solving problems.

PA 143rd Legislative District

Description:

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Education: MA in English, University of Maine BA in English, SUNY Potsdam

Qualifications: Thirty years experience as a Community College Educator. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood PA, Emily's List, Represent PAC, Equality PA, Human Rights Campaign, and several unions including AFT & AFL-CIO. ALSO Moms Demand Action Gun Sense Candidate

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Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: 1) I will advocate for Women & Families. I will protect women's full reproductive rights, support funding of Planned Parenthood, and ensure that Birth Control remains free. I will move forward on adopting Paid Family and Medical Leave. I support a phased-in increase in the minimum wage to \$15.00/hour. 2) Reducing and preventing gun violence is a priority. I am committed to common sense Gun Safety Legislation. I will move to ban the sale of so-called Assault Type weapons, "bump stocks", and large capacity magazines; age 21 to purchase rifles, shotguns & handguns; require registration of all gun sales; Close "Boyfriend Loophole" in Protection from Abuse orders; require hands-on safety training to own handguns. 3) To protect the environment I will a) prohibit any spread of fracking by the Natural Gas Industry and increase oversight, enforce regulation, and require full mitigation where fracking exists; and b) incentivize alternative energy production and adoption by consumers and businesses

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Yes. Reform is long overdue and independent citizen involvement is essential to prevent further partisan inequities. Fair Districts PA proposal should be adopted

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I support these voting reforms: no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, and additional funding for upgrades to voting technology that create a paper trail for verification.

Joe Flood

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Education: 1985 Graduate of CB East

Qualifications: I'm currently in my second term on Doylestown Borough Council. I chair the Water Committee and also serve on the Public Safety and Public Works committees. For years I've been deeply involved with community and charitable organizations.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: 1. Education: Ensuring we have adequate funding to deliver safe, quality public schools for every child, as well as support educational innovation to best prepare students for their adult lives. 2. Economic: Fiscal discipline in state operations/budgeting to protect taxpayers. Pro-growth policies that drive economic and job growth 3. Quality-of-Life: Addressing the myriad of issues a diverse district like the 143rd faces – from concerns over school safety, to combatting the opioid epidemic, to addressing the rising cost of healthcare, to supporting environmental initiatives (especially open space and river issues), housing, infrastructure, and more.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I would support an independent redistricting process provided we can ensure that an independent commission remains truly independent of partisan or special interest influence.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: The top priority when undertaking any election reforms must be ensuring the sanctity of each vote and the absolute protection of any voting system from corruption or malfeasance. Because of this, each proposal must be examined not just for its merits, but also for how it will be implemented. I do support many election reforms to improve access and ballot security, such as allowing 16 and 17 year olds to pre-register to vote, ensuring paper trails for all electronic voting systems and increased absentee voting opportunities.

PA 144th Legislative District

Description:

The Pennsylvania House of Representatives is the lower house of our bicameral (two house) legislature. There are 203 members who sit for two year terms in single member districts. Representatives must be 21 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service. Members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives are, along with the Senate, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

Candidates (choose 1):

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Education: J.D. Widener Univ. School of Law, B.S.

Phila.College Textiles & Science, R.N Chestnut Hill Hosp.

Qualifications: Proven Leader, Licensed Attorney, Owner & operator of General Law Firm, Certified Mediator, Registered Nurse, American Red Cross Volunteer, Disaster Responder, Instructor, Central Bucks EMS BOD, pro bono representation for victims of abuse.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: My top three priorities are safety, education and jobs. I will fight every day, compassionately and with conviction to protect our families' safety and security. Safety includes the enforcement of environmental protection to include air, land, water and clean energy. Security issues arise from the Opioid Crisis facing Pennsylvanians including unregulated Recovery Houses and the need to ensure affordable quality healthcare. Stricter more sensible laws are needed to protect our community and our schools. Funding needs to be restored to the public school system to ensure a quality education giving our children equal opportunities. The affordability of college is important so we do not set our students up for failure before they even begin. Additionally, it is important to enhance votech career training. I firmly believe all workers should receive fair and equitable pay, equal pay for equal work, and I will work towards zero tolerance legislation for harassment and discrimination.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: Yes, I support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission. It will help to remove the potential for political

influence over the process. We should insure that the citizens are impartial like we do for court judges and jurors.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I believe we need additional funding for modern voting machines that can tabulate voter totals but also allow for hand counting if it appears that there may have been some sort of tampering. I also believe we should allow students to register to vote when they apply for their driver's license to be effective on their 18th birthday.

Todd Polinchock

Party: Republican

Biographical Info:

Municipality: WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP

County: BUCKS

Questions:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: - no response -

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: - no response -

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: - no response -

PA 145th Legislative District

Description:

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Representatives must be 21 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year next before their election and must live in their districts during their terms of service. Members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives are, along with the Senate, responsible for passing legislation that affects all aspects of our lives.

Candidates (choose 1):

Brian Kline

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Education: B.A., Political Science, DeSales University

Qualifications: Coming from a working-class family I have always identified with the underdog. From volunteering as a clinic escort outside Planned Parenthood to advocating for healthcare. I don't like bullies. I want to go to Harrisburg to help people.

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: Protecting Medicaid: Medicaid allows over 2 million PA residents to have healthcare access. Each year the three Upper Bucks school districts receive \$750K in Medicaid funding to cover special education costs. (source CCF) Losing that funding could lead to deficits and increased property taxes. Imposing caps or implementing barriers to access Medicaid is not cost-effective and will have a negative impact on health outcomes. Targeted Property Tax Relief: The average property tax in PA is just above 3% of taxable income. The average property tax in the three Upper Bucks school districts is fast approaching 4% of taxable income. (source PBPC) To provide relief I support increasing state education funding, increasing the Property Tax Rebate Program and providing state funding for county reassessment efforts. Tougher Gun Control Laws: I support universal background checks, gun violence restraining orders and restricting the purchasing of military-style weapons.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I support House Bill 722 which creates an independent non-partisan redistricting commission. It's important to note that the recent state Supreme Court ruling which ordered congressional districts to be redrawn is not permanent, and it does not address state legislative districts. The Constitution mandates that political districts be redrawn every ten years to reflect population shifts. Political districts could once again be gerrymandered for the 2020 election. It's make no sense allowing the party that controls the General Assembly to draw political districts to their advantage. I support fair districts, and we can accomplish that objective with an independent non-partisan redistricting commission.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I support strengthening voting security and expanding access to voting. PA's electronic voting machines are over 12 years old. (source PA Votes) Replacement parts are difficult to find and the machines cannot be audited without using their own software. We need to protect the vote by investing in new electronic voting machines that use voter-verified paper ballots that can be audited and recounted. To encourage voter turnout we need to expand access to voting. I support no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration along with automatic voter registration. Under automatic voter registration, eligible U.S. citizens who interact with government agencies are

registered to vote unless they decline. The agencies electronically send the voters information to their respective board of elections. It's cost-effective and reduces the potential for fraud.

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Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: •Providing the funding needed to ensure our schools are the best in the country and SAFE
•Fostering an environment that will further support the economic recovery and create jobs
•Combating the opioid epidemic by providing more funding for treatment and support for those addicted and families

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I support reforming our redistricting process. It is clear that citizens are losing confidence in our current process. I think it is important to find a way to ensure that our voters have a seat at the table and an independent process is undertaken to ensure balanced and fair maps. I would be open to an independent citizens commission to oversee the process, and it is vital that we establish it in a way that truly is independent of politics. Free and fair elections are the backbone of our democracy and republic and that starts with an open and trusted process for drawing legislative maps. We must do everything in our power to remove partisanship from the process and make sure our voters are not disenfranchised.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I back the further modernization of our system and laws for voting. We must ensure we administer fair elections that are free of fraud while encouraging our citizens to exercise their right to vote through expanded access. Online voter registration was a great step. I think we should allow anyone who wishes to vote by absentee ballot to do so regardless of their reason. I am open to further steps to increase accessibility as long as they do not jeopardize the integrity of the election process. Any citizen who meets the requirements of voting should be afforded every opportunity to exercise that right. As for technological upgrades to our voting systems, I think they should be focused on making

voting clear and easy while being certain that no one can tamper with machines and ultimately the outcome of our elections.

PA 178th Legislative District

Description:

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Qualifications: Chair, Solebury Township Board of Supervisors Small business owner and process improvement consultant

Questions:

Q: *What are your top three priorities in office?*

A: I want to ensure ALL Pennsylvanians have an equal opportunity to succeed. My top priorities are all related to this goal. 1. Reform Harrisburg - our legislators are protecting the special interests instead of focusing on the very real problems that need fixing. As a small business owner, every day I help organizations and people work together more effectively to find common sense solutions to problems. That's why I have taken a pledge not to accept corporate PAC money and I will introduce a bill that requires the legislature to pass a balanced budget on time or they won't get paid. 2. Ensuring funding for public education - a good education is the basic foundation for everyone to have an equal opportunity to succeed. We must find a fair funding formula to ensure that all Pennsylvanians have access to good quality public education. 3. Ensuring quality, affordable healthcare - Everyone deserves access to health care, and no one should lose their homes because they get sick.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Gerrymandering of legislative and congressional districts is detrimental to our democracy by allowing politicians to choose their voters instead of voters choosing their representatives. It pushes politicians to be more and more extreme and reduces bi-partisan cooperation. I strongly support redistricting reform with an independent citizen's commission. As a Solebury Township Supervisor, I drove the passage of a resolution urging state lawmakers to pass SB22 and HB722, which calls for the creation of a truly independent citizens redistricting commission devoid of political motivation or partisanship. I also met with my state senator to urge him to cosponsor SB22. This is the only way to ensure a fair and accurate legislative and congressional redistricting process that respects political subdivisions and communities of interest and prohibits districts from being drawn to favor or discriminate against a political party or candidate.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: Voting integrity is critically important. In 2016, we saw the consequences of Russian hacking. This not only undermines our democracy but causes voters to be distrustful of the voting process, which may cause them to become disengaged from voting. We must implement technology upgrades with a paper trail. We also need to do everything we can to make voting more accessible and efficient - we should make Election Day a holiday, provide for early voting, no-excuse absentee voting, and same day voter registration.

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Qualifications: Work for 9 years on Council Rock School Board; over that time served as President, Vice President, Finance Chair, Academic Standard Chair. Successful business professional building a team and business that helps people navigate healthcare.

Questions:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: 1. Making education the top priority in the budget process by supporting more funding for school and fostering innovation in education to deliver the best outcomes for students. 2. Control spending and protect property taxpayers as I did while on Council Rock School Board, where we cut costs by millions of dollars and kept property taxes the third lowest in Bucks County. In Harrisburg, I will focus the budget on priorities, cut out waste, and push for reforms that help school districts and local government control property taxes. 3. Keep our families safe by supporting a comprehensive approach

to preventing gun violence, and working with law enforcement, drug addiction experts, and residents to address the opioid epidemic.

Q: *Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?*

A: I believe the recent fight over redistricting illustrates the need for change and, as Representative, I would support an independent redistricting commission that takes partisanship out of the process; we must ensure that how we establish this prevents special interests and partisan interests from influencing or corrupting the commission or process.

Q: *Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?*

A: I believe the League of Women Voters and all citizens share my view that when examining any election reforms, our top priority must be ensuring the sanctity of the ballot and the election system. Reforms must be carefully examined to prevent unintended consequences, ballot insecurity, or fraud; for example, recent reports in the Inquirer prove how the Motor Voter Law has inadvertently allowed those who are not allowed to vote to register to do so. As a legislator, I will support numerous proposals to improve voter access, voter participation, and ballot security. These include things such as allowing 17-year-olds who will be 18 by Election Day to pre-register; early voting; ensuring paper trails for all electronic voting systems; increased ability to vote by absentee ballot and more.

BENSALEM TOWNSHIP REFERENDUM

Shall the Township Council of the Township of Bensalem be authorized to increase the real property tax for the operation and maintenance of the volunteer fire companies serving the Township by an additional one (1) mill?

YES or NO