

LPoV Candidate Questionnaire Nov 2022

General Questions

Candidate Name *

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Why are you running for *this* office?

CCSF - Community College Board.

If elected, do you commit to completing your entire term?

Yes.

What are your values, and how did you get them?

I believe in integrity, courage, sincerity, and strong commitment. These principles derive from my spiritual in belief that we all are create as human beings the highest form of creation here on planet earth. I don't push my religion or beliefs on anybody, I think with the proper environment, education, and right support.

What communities do you represent, and how do they hold you accountable?

I'm a resident of District 5 in the Western Addition of the Fillmore neighborhood area. I consider myself representing all the common people of San Francisco mostly addressing quality of life issues which was my campaign slogan in 2020 running for D-5 supervisor race. I work very closely with the Fillmore Collaboratives Association, and we meet monthly to address community issues and those responsible for fulfilling their fiduciary duties. Of course I work very close with our supervisor Dean office. For example, in 2021 I created the petition to bring back the 31 Balboa and 21 Hayes bus lines back toward post COVID-19 pandemic. It was win-win after eventually SFMTA agreed. Setting clear goals and expectations is best way to hold my constituents accountable.

What three endorsements are you most proud of?

1). David Campos, CA Democratic, 2). Majied Crawford, Community Activist, and 3). Pia Harris, Director of Fillmore Collaboratives.

What are the top three issues you will work on, and how will you implement solutions in a timely manner?

1. Save our Accreditation.
2. Increase Students Enrollment.
3. Balancing CCSF's Fiscal Budget.

What for-profit or non-profit boards do you serve on, including political organizations?

1. MLK-MG Co-op - (1997), (2016-17), & (2019-22). 2). Brothers For Change - (2005). 3). WA Community Policing Relations Board. 4). SLAM Stop Lennar Action Movement - (2007-2012). 5). RAB Restoration Advisory Board (2008). 6). Lower Fillmore Assoc. - (2012). 7). NCLF New Community Leadership Foundation (2012-2018). 8). SF CATS ACADEMY, INC (2019) - (2022). 9). African American Reparations Task Force Advisory Committee - (2021-22).

What local and state commissions or policy bodies do you serve on?

San Francisco Human Rights Commission's African American Reparations Task Force Advisory Committee.

Please describe specific accomplishments in your activism. What did you get done, and what was your role?

2006-07: Established Community Policing with support of Ross Mirkarimi and David Campos.

2008: Helped craft Prop. F

2009: Lead the effort to recall Sophie Maxwell from D-10.

2018: Wrote the Community Benefit Plan for the Fillmore Heritage Center.

2019: Helped end the Gang Injunction.

2021: Helped bring back the 31 Balboa and 21 Bus lines after reopening from COVID-19.

2022: Helped organize and managed the event monitors for Juneteenth SF Festival.

Please list specific ways you have shown up for immigrants at risk of deportation.

I supported the immigrants workers protest near Market street, demanding for better pay and more sanctuary city protection in the Hospitality Local 2 Union field in 2020.

Please list specific ways you have fought against racism and white supremacy.

As a community activist and advocate for now 29 years I have worked with many non profit organizations to bring awareness of institutional white supremacy at play in our city. I worked in 2016 on the SF Planning African American Historic Context Statement which compiled a report that addressed the past and present harms, and whats must be done to reverse racism and mindset of white superiority. Of course, since the days of me dealing with the SFPD racial biases toward the black and brown communities in the city, I spent countless hours in 2017, helping the SF DA's Blue Ribbon Panel established the 272 recommendations, which indirectly uproots institutional racism in law enforcement.

Please give us some examples of situations you've encountered where gender and LGBTQ inequity was evident and what you did or would do to address it.

So just recently a African American member of the LGBTQ community was facing evicting in low-income housing in the District 5. And some of the management board made unfortunately comments about this individual lifestyle, and why he should just followed the procedures. So in support I prepared a declaration to the courts in opposition to this pending eviction targeting the African American LGBTQ community. Thanks to supervisor Dean Preston's office and Open Door Legal the eviction is now on pause pending an investigation.

Amid a homelessness crisis, how can the City and County of San Francisco improve the effectiveness of our city's homelessness and supportive housing services?

Stop the stupid politics! So how long are we as a city going to continue to be in denial. At a certain point we just need to tell the truth, a lot people in leadership roles just doesn't care.

What is your favorite park, and why?

Fillmore Mini Park. This little mini park have become a park that so vital to survival of the African American community in D5 as the AA population continues to decline. In addition, SF Park & Rec. and SF Beautiful are partnering with the community to renovate the park as we toward improvement of the corridor which will be a win-win for the district and city.

Why do you want the League of Pissed Off Voters' endorsement?

I received your endorsement when I ran for Supervisor of D5 in 2020. And like I mention then SFLPV connects with the people in the city I most Identify with the most. I think your endorsement will continue to give San Franciscans political hope, that someone not tied to Silly Hall politics!

Is there anything else you want to tell us?

Thank you again for being the voice for the grassroots here in San Francisco. I'm even currently enrolled in CCSF with a 3.40 GPA. CCSF has been a life saver for me in terms of the relationships and networking building I've achieved in recent years. I dedicated to continue to fight against pay to play City Hall machine. Sometimes in my community they think we must support black candidates no matter what, I disagree. I look at their policies and action.

Lastly, please excuse any typos and punctuation errors. I have limited assistances in my attempt to reply a large volume of endorsement questionnaires. Thank you.

What experience do you have with City College or Community Colleges in general?

Current Student of CCSF. And, I was the key note speaker at the 2017 Graduation Ceremony at John Adams Community College campus in D5.

What do you see as City College's greatest strengths and challenges?

CCSF greatest strengths to me up mobility opportunity to a free college education. And of course the biggest challenges is getting students to re enroll back in, after the major declined from around 75K students in 2012, to now around 24K here in 2022.

Do you support the City College Parcel Tax slated for the November 2022 ballot?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Given that many of the policy and funding decisions for SFUSD are made by other entities, what is your vision for fully funding City College, and what actions can the Board of Trustees take to that end?

My vision for CCSF is to increase student enrollment up to 100K students within the next 3 to 5 years. Board Trustees can continue to follow its goals of improving funding through policy and efficiency strategies, however, I think the trustees must be willing to push the envelope to a city like San Francisco with a billions of dollars general budget. Ultimately the trustees need to do more to by lobbying and demanding our State for funding assistance not lip service.

How do you plan to close the opportunity gap for students of color?

I plan to focus on the quality of life issues for students of colors. How can you focus on college if your housing situation is unstable. My plan is to create more MOUs with non-profits to to work directly with students of colors in disfranchise communities. We need more collaborative work between SFUSD, and CCSF bring more opportunities to students of colors.

What specific qualities would you look for in a new chancellor?

Humility, integrity & ethics, moral values and strong character. In other words when we think of making pay cuts a good chancellor would be the first one to volunteer a pay cut.

What metrics would you use to determine your success as Board Trustee?

The best metrics I believe is the people determine if you are a successful trustee or not. But really I think to be a successful Board Trustee you must be able to show an increase in student enrollments and graduation success rate. Nevertheless the balancing the fiscal budget, and retaining quality teachers is at the top of the list too.

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