

MODESTO BEE CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

What is your full, legal name?

Thomas L. Freeman

What name do you prefer be used in print?

Tom Freeman

What office do you seek?

School Board for Stanislaus Union School District

What is the primary reason you are running for this office?

To be an informed voice for the students of the district.

What will be your single most important priority if you get elected?

To monitor and make thoughtful critical decisions as they arise especially in relationship to budget vs. program issues. Also, it is important to understand and listen to all stakeholders when making decisions. I feel that I have earned the respect of parents, teachers and administrators during my time in the district allowing me to bring together divergent opinions into workable solutions for the benefit of our students.

What sets you apart from the other candidates?

My experience and knowledge base. I am starting my 40th year in education. I have been a parent in the District. I have spent 25+ years as a teacher, and 15 years as an site and district level administrator. I worked for 10 years as an administrator in Stanislaus Union School District as principal of Chrysler Elementary School and Prescott Junior High School. I have been actively involved in educational organizations including Middle Grades Partnership Network and ACSA. I have served on the State Middle School Alliance and have taught for education classes for Chapman University. I have presented workshops to several schools and conferences and was selected by the CDE to be a presenter for a statewide web-cast on school improvement. I am currently chairperson for the bond over-site committee for the district and also served on the budget advisory committee as the administrative representative.

Where do you work and what is your job title? (If retired, list position before retirement and name of former employer)

I currently hold the position of Director of Curriculum and Instruction as well as service at junior high principal for Turlock Christian Schools.

What date were you born and where?

Eureka California 1949

What is your spouse's name, if any?

Janice K. Freeman (married 41 years)

What are the names and ages of your children, if any?

*Kalina Cover- 38 (Husband Jim Cover) Erik Freeman- 35 (wife Michelle)
3 grandchildren- Alyssa, Kate, Brooke*

Please list the schools and colleges you attended, the degrees you attained and when.

Humboldt State University- 67-74- BA in History/Political Science Life Elementary and Life Secondary Teaching Credentials

Fresno Pacific College- Master's Degree Math/Science Education

Stanislaus State University- Clear Administrative Credential

Have you ever held an elected or appointed public office? (Include dates and office title)

No

Have you run before for an elected public office? (Include dates and exact office title)

No

Approximately how much money do you expect to spend on your campaign?

Less than \$1000

Have you ever been convicted or charged with a crime other than a minor traffic violation? If so, please explain and include dates and locations.

No

Have you or a business you owned or had principal interest in ever filed bankruptcy? If so, please include dates and the location the bankruptcy was filed.

No

Do any of your immediate family members work for the organization/agency your are running to represent?

No

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING CONTACT INFORMATION

Campaign Web site address, Facebook page, Twitter account:

www.facebook.com/tom4stanunionboard

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