

2024

SCOTT COUNTY

CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE



QUAD CITY FEDERATION OF LABOR, AFL-CIO

President, Dan Gosa
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Dear Candidate:

The Quad City Federation of Labor would like to congratulate you on your candidacy to become an elected official in Scott County, or if you are an incumbent, we thank you for wanting to continue serving the people of Scott County.

To assist you in getting to know our affiliates, members, and issues better, the Candidate Questionnaire covers various union concerns in our community. As a bi-state organization, we want to be inclusive and work with all of our elected officials for the betterment of our neighborhoods.

Our Working Iowa Neighbors' (WIN) committee has determined the office you are seeking is in the interest of working families. We would appreciate it if you would fill out the attached questionnaire and EMAIL it at your earliest convenience, but **no later than Friday, May 3rd. Please email to solidarity@quadcityfed.com. (**FILLABLE form emailed to you on 4/22/24**)**

All candidates who submit a questionnaire by the deadline will be notified between May 6th & May 8th to set up a date and time to **interview on Tuesday, May 14th. Interview times will be held between the hours of 6:00pm – 9:00pm so we don't interrupt work schedules for all involved. We must emphasize that the Quad City Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO, cannot endorse candidates who do not complete questionnaires.**

Upon endorsement, the Quad City Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO will create a press release and begin to actively promote the endorsed candidate. This will include contacting union members who reside within your communities to mobilize their support for you during this process and on Election Day.

In Solidarity,

QCFL WIN Committee

QCFL Working Iowa Neighbors (WIN) 2024 Questionnaire



Candidate: _____ Campaign PAC ID# _____

Address, City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Campaign Committee Name: _____

Treasurer: _____

The more information we have, the better we can judge you fairly. We hope this questionnaire will be a device by which we can learn your ideas and positions, especially regarding the rights of workers.

TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF

Why are you seeking this office?

Have you been politically active in the last 5 years? If yes, how?

Why should working families support your candidacy?

Are you or a member of your family a union member?

If elected (or re-elected), what would be your top 3 issues and why?

1. Do you support workers' rights and increasing the minimum wage?

2. Are you familiar with the public sector Iowa Code Chapter 20? Would you support reinstating full collect bargaining rights for the public sector?

3. What does a collecting bargaining agreement mean to you?

4. Would you be willing to provide public support for union organizing by (check as many as applicable):
 - Speaking at a rally
 - Asking an employer to remain neutral in an organizing campaign
 - Holding a hearing to draw attention to employer abuses or worker's rights.
 - Sending a letter to employees in support of organizing a union
 - Walk a picket line

5. Do you support the use of local union vendors and contractors? Please explain your position.

6. Do you support the right of workers to organize unions, entirely independent and free from management interference and to bargain collectively for wages, benefits and working conditions?

7. Do you own an American made vehicle? If so what's the make and model?

8. What is your view of privatization of public sector jobs? Please explain your position.

9. What does "Right to Work" mean to you, do you support it?

10. What requirement would you look for in a strong responsible bidder ordinance? Please explain your position.

11. Would you support the use of Project Labor Agreements (PLA's)?
Please explain your position.

12. Would you support purchasing union made products and equipment if available? Please explain your position.

13. Sometimes employees are required to work over 8 hours in a workday without overtime pay. Would you support the workers receiving overtime pay after 8 hours? Please explain your position.

SIGNATURE

DATE