

## PRIMARY CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE 2024

### 1. Tell us about yourself, what information you think is important about you, your family and your background.

I'm married to Cheryl, my wife of 40 years, and we have 4 Adult children.

I'm from southern Ohio. One of the poorest counties in Ohio. My dad was a dairy farmer, and my mom a school teacher for the disabled.

I spent most of my life raising my children, getting in involved with church youth groups, because I wanted to understand what my children was being taught. we homeschooled our children for 10 years.

My political life started after I read a book that inspired me called, "Live not by Lies". Which lead me to take a self-directed Constitutional course by Micheal Farris. I soon discovered the federal government was out of control, and I needed to get involved with State government politics. I felt that States rights were being ignored.

I have an interest in State government.

My wife and I moved to Laramie in Jan'23, to escape State income taxes, to see the beautiful Wyoming parks, and more personal freedoms. I continue to work as a computer profession for a National Trucking company.

### 2. What qualities, training, experience and skills would you bring to this office? Tell us why you are running for this office.

I have a Bachelor Science degree in Computer Science from The Ohio State University. We homeschooled our children for 10 years. My work experience in various industries in the computer field has prepared me for skills in:

- Working as a team member and team leader in stressful situations. Being calm through a crisis, and a problem solver that helps build consensus within the team.
- Being part of the team in budgeting for next year's resources
- Providing capacity planning for resources needed to support future growth
- Managing a team
- Working with people with strong opinions and to provide leadership to find consensus within the team

I want to bring back common sense back to House district 45 and to Wyoming. We need new thought leadership to House district 45.

### 3. What are the primary responsibilities of the office you are seeking?

- Representing House district 45 on issues important to them.
- Staying in contact with the district 45 constituents via email, phone calls, and townhall meetings
- Working with county commissioners, city council members, and school board member to address area of concern that occur at the State level
- Committee work to review bills
- Debating and voting on bills and resolutions

4. United States citizens, under government, have rights. What is the basis of these rights?

In general, the purpose of government is to protect those being governed so that they may pursue life, liberty and the pursued of happiness. Government is also to provide boundaries so citizens can peaceful live with each other. Various levels of government have different roles. Federal government, State government, and local government has different roles. These 3 groups often try to make laws outside their jurisdictions which should be restricted to their respective constitutions.

5. Elected officials are viewed in one of 2 ways – politicians or statesmen. Explain your understanding of each and how you would describe yourself.

Politicians represent their constituents in the present. Statesmen are visionaries in government matters.

I will listen to my constituents, take their calls, and respond to their emails on the issues that matter to them. Providing thought leadership on the pressing issues our district faces is also essential. Together, we can make a difference in our district and community.

6. What are the controversial issues for deliberation and voting and how will you deal with these?

A permanent solution to our increasing property taxes

- By working with other legislatures to find workable solution.
- To have greater transparent budget reporting
- To tackle those areas where spending is a “want” vs a “need”

Expanding School choice

- To work with other senior Legislatures such as Ocean Andrew to support and help debate expanded legislation on the house floor

7. Tell us anything else you would like about your candidacy.

I plan to work hard to win, by knocking on doors, and understanding the will of House district 45.