

MTI VOTERS

2004 School Board Election Questionnaire

On *separate paper*, please address each of the following questions, numbering your responses in the same sequence as the questions. *Please submit your responses to MTI Headquarters (821 Williamson Street) by 5:00 p.m., January 20.*

General:

1. The Madison Metropolitan School District held a referendum in June, 2003 to enable the MMSD to exceed the State's repressive revenue controls. Did you support the 2003 referendum?

_____ YES _____ NO
2. The School Board is discussing the possibility of conducting a referendum in 2004, given that the 2003 referendum provided the necessary funding for the 2003-04 school year only. Will you support such a referendum in 2004?

_____ YES _____ NO
3. Identify specific MMSD programs and/or policies which you believe should to be modified, re-prioritized, or eliminated, and explain why.
4. What should the District do to reduce violence/assure that proper discipline is maintained in our schools?
5. Explain any concerns/proposed solutions you have about the District's minority achievement efforts.
6. Explain your commitment to four-year-old and all day kindergarten programs.
7. Explain your commitment to Early Learning Initiative and the conditions of non-subcontracting established, as a condition of MTI's support.
8. Should planning time for elementary teachers be increased? If yes, how could this be accomplished? (see Contract provision attached.)
9. Given that the Wisconsin Association of School Boards rarely supports the interests of the Madison Metropolitan School District, should the District withdraw from the WASB? _____
10. From what sources do you believe that public schools should be funded?
 - a. Would you support increasing student fees?

_____ YFS _____ NO
11. Do you support that elementary class sizes should not exceed 15:1?

12. Do you support:
- a. The use of public funds (vouchers) to enable parents to pay tuition with tax payers' money for religious private schools?
 YES NO
 - b. The expansion of Charter schools within the Madison Metropolitan School District?
 YES NO
 - c. The approval of Nuestro Mundo Community School Project, Inc.?
 YES NO

13. List MMSD staff from whom you do or would seek advice.

14. Have you ever been employed as a teacher? If yes, please describe why you decided to leave the teaching profession.

15. Do you support the inclusion model for including Title 1, EEN and ESL students in the regular education classroom? Why/why not?

16. The Board of Education has moved from the development of policy to becoming involved in matters usually reserved to administration when it:

- a. Decided to hear parents' complaints about a teacher's tests and grading.
- b. Decided to modify the administration's decision about how a State Statute should be implemented.

Do you believe that the Board should delegate to administration the implementation of policy which the Board has created and the implementation of State Statutes.

YES NO

Do you believe that the Board should delegate to administration the implementation of State Statutes?

YES NO

17. Do/did/will your children attend private or parochial schools during their K-12 years? If no, and if you have children, what schools have/will they attend/ed?

Legislation

18. Will you introduce and vote for a motion which would direct the Wisconsin Association of School Boards to request the introduction and promote the passage of legislation to eliminate the revenue controls on public schools?

_____ YES _____ NO

19. Will you introduce and vote for a motion to direct the Wisconsin Association of School Boards to request the introduction and promote the passage of legislation to eliminate the Qualified Economic Offer which restricts free and open collective bargaining for teachers and would enable teacher wages to be established through negotiations between the parties?

_____ YES _____ NO

20. Will you introduce and vote for a motion to direct the Wisconsin Association of School Boards to request the introduction and promote the passage of legislation to prohibit the privatization of public schools via the use of tuition tax credits (vouchers) to pay tuition with taxpayers' money to private or religious schools?

_____ YES _____ NO

21. Will you introduce and vote for a motion to direct the Wisconsin Association of School Boards to request the introduction and promote the passage of legislation which will maintain or expand the benefit level of the Wisconsin Family and Medical Leave Act?

_____ YES _____ NO

22. Will you introduce and vote for a motion to direct the Wisconsin Association of School Boards to request the introduction and promote the passage of legislation which will increase the retirement formula multiplier from 1.6% to 2% for teachers and general employees, i.e. equal that of protective employees?

_____ YES _____ NO

23. Will you introduce and vote for a motion to direct the Wisconsin Association of School Boards to request the introduction and promote the passage of legislation which will prohibit public employee residency requirements?

_____ YES _____ NO

24. Will you introduce and vote for a motion to direct the Wisconsin Association of School Boards to request the introduction and promote the passage of legislation which will eliminate and forbid restrictions to free and open collective bargaining for the selection of insurance for public employees (under Wis. Stat. 111.70), including the naming of the insurance carrier?

_____ YES _____ NO

25. Will you introduce and vote for a motion to direct the Wisconsin Association of School Boards to request the introduction and promote the passage of legislation which will guarantee free and open collective bargaining regarding the establishment of the school calendar/school year, including the right to begin the school year, as it has been since 1966, via negotiations between MTI and the District?

_____ YES _____ NO

26. Will you introduce and vote for a motion to direct the Wisconsin Association of School Boards to request the introduction and promote the passage of legislation to forbid the work of employees organized under Wis. Stat. 111.70 (collective bargaining statute) to be subcontracted?

_____ YES _____ NO

27. Will you introduce and vote for legislation which will mandate full State funding of any State mandated program?

28. Will you introduce and vote for legislation which will provide adequate State funding of public education?

Your Campaign:

29. Are you, or any of your campaign committee members, active in or supportive of the "Get Real" organization?

30. Name of Campaign Committee/Address/Phone #/Treasurer. List the members of your campaign committee.

Signature

Date