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NUFF FULLERTON SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: 11PM PDT on September 25, 2018 to endorsements@nuffpac.org

Note: ONLY electronic submissions will be accepted.

Name: Janny Catlin Meyer for Fullerton School Board 2018

Running for FSD Trustee Area #: 4

Indicate one of the following by checking the appropriate box:

- I do not plan to request NUFF's endorsement, so I am not responding to the questions.
 I am submitting the questionnaire and would appreciate receiving NUFF's endorsement upon approval of the membership.

If you are seeking NUFF's endorsement, please answer the following questions in your own words. Your responses will be shared with NUFF's membership as the basis for their endorsement vote (space provided is not intended to limit the length of your response; use the space you need).

1. What is your vision for education in the Fullerton schools?

Quality education for all students. Equity among all schools and all students. Emphasis on Safety, mental health/wellness and parent engagement. Innovative programs that engage individual learning. My vision is to continue to move the district forward where every student feels valued, is safe and is learning.

2. What do you believe are the top two or three priorities that need to be addressed at the district level?

I believe we have made great progress during my term in these areas but need to continue addressing: 1) Safety and wellness, 2) Quality and equity in education for all students, with progressive, innovative programs that meet the needs of individual students as well as growing our programs such as Dual Immersion, and STEM to more sites. 3) Involve the parents and community in our schools in a welcoming, inviting and transparent way.

3. What has been your experience in the public-school system?

I have taught K/6 during my 34-year career. 30 years in Fullerton. I am a parent of a child that attended all K-8 elementary schools in Fullerton. I have been a union bargaining officer for FETA. I have been a member of many committees such as School Site Council, Cal distinguished team, Golden Bell winner, 3-time Teacher of the year Mainstreaming special day students and working with exceptional students. I have been a PTA member for 30 years and served many schools on a variety of committees. Upon leaving teaching I was elected the FSD Board,

4. In what ways do you feel you are prepared for the job of a Trustee? What strengths do you bring?

Experience! As a parent, teacher, mentor, CSUF trainer of teachers and FSD Board trustee I have experienced a broad array of educational areas. I understand budget, special education, the many new programs, curriculum, the entire community and their needs, my ability to work with superintendent, cabinet, staff, teachers and most importantly students. My record as a board member speaks for its self as being actively involved daily at schools which gives me a huge advantage in understanding the day to day needs and issues of our district and makes me well prepared to make the decisions that are best for the district at the board table,

5. What are two or three current activities or programs in which the district currently excels?

How do you believe that you could ensure that these continue? Exceptional learning opportunities and support that address every child and where their need is, a focus on safety, parent engagement and wellness, communication to parents and students with critical information i.e. bullying education/reporting and principal and superintendent daily involvement in observation as well as feedback for improvement and interaction with parents and community.

6. What is the best measurement for how a district is being successful in student learning?

Standardized testing important but only one facet, teacher observation, daily progress of a student, anecdotal examples and teacher student conference as well as performance records along with school achievement are a few of the measurements we have. The abundance of awards and accolades at all our sites supports the success of our schools and student learning.

7. Do you favor uniqueness in the schools/courses/teaching methods offered, or do you believe that greater consistency is preferable?

One of the strengths of our district is the uniqueness at every school. Every child, school classroom brings a unique opportunity for learning and teaching methods which must address the learning styles of each learner,

8. What are your views on integration of the Arts at our schools?

Absolutely a critical part of every classroom and every child. I have been a strong supporter of All the Arts for over 30 years as a parent, teacher and board member.

9. Is there anything you would like to add?

My qualifications are strong. Most importantly is my passion for Kids and FSD: and is key to me being the best qualified candidate. I have no political agenda and my voting record shows a focus on kids and the well-being of the district which I base every decision. Being a very active community member and supporter of the wonderful organizations in Fullerton as well as the longevity of my involvement in Fullerton gives me a critical perspective. I have the time, commitment and experience and with our changing board, which is a good thing if balanced with experience, so with my qualifications, background and knowledge I will provide the balance for a strong board.