



Seattle Metropolitan Elections Committee

2014 CANDIDATE WRITTEN QUESTIONNAIRE

The Seattle Metropolitan Elections Committee (SEAMEC) is a non-partisan civic organization that rates candidates for political and judicial office in Seattle, King County and the state of Washington. SEAMEC evaluates candidates based on their knowledge and record of commitment to and activism for the concerns of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) community.

SEAMEC will rate your candidacy for the primary and/or general election based on your answers to this questionnaire, previous record, and other available information. We will offer in-person interviews between June 9 and July 5, 2014. Please be specific in your responses to help us understand your thinking on issues of importance to the LGBT community. You may attach additional materials and relevant documentation, which should include pertinent information regarding your history and level of support for LGBT community issues. We also appreciate your providing campaign materials to us in advance or at the time of your interview.

Please return the questionnaire by email to seamec2014@gmail.com, or post **as soon as possible, but no later than May 30, 2014**. **The candidate must personally sign and date this front page**. If you email the questionnaire, please include a scan of the front page or mail or fax the signed second page to SEAMEC at the address/number below. Feel free to insert comments or attach additional pages as needed.

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SEAMEC interview site: 1605 12th Avenue, Room # 21 (*12th Avenue & E. Pine St, in the same building as the liquor store. Paid parking is available in the garage. The SEAMEC office is down the first hallway on the left, three doors beyond the Seattle Gay News*). Interviews will begin promptly at the scheduled time and will not go beyond the original time allotted.

Candidate name: Chad Magendanz

Position sought (and number if appropriate): State Representative, Position 2 for 5th LD

Please select one: Incumbent Challenger Open Seat

Campaign address: P.O. 1362, Issaquah, WA 98027

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Campaign telephone: (425) 395-4895 Campaign email: info@magendanz.com

Campaign manager: Steve McNey

Consultant(s): Cre8ive Empowerment

Contact cell phone for day of interview: (425) 246-8782

My signature below indicates that the answers to the attached questionnaire accurately reflect my views and that I understand my answers may be publicly disclosed by SEAMEC.

Signature:  Date: 6/6/14

ISSUES: Please answer each question "Yes" or "No". YOU MAY QUALIFY OR EXPLAIN YOUR ANSWERS WITH ADDITIONAL COMMENTS.

1. Do you think the 2007 expansion of the state's anti-discrimination protection laws to include sexual orientation and/or gender-identity has been beneficial to the residents of Washington State?
 YES NO

2. Did you support Referendum 74 (legalizing civil marriage for lesbian or gay couples in Washington State) in 2012?
 YES NO

3. Should Project Labor Agreements at your level of government include transgender nondiscrimination language?
 YES NO

4. PrEP is short for Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis. It is a new HIV prevention method in which people who do not have HIV take a daily pill to reduce their risk of becoming infected. Do you support the state making this treatment available to people considered at high risk who cannot afford the high cost?
 YES NO **Note: Should be covered under Medicaid**

5. Should religiously affiliated healthcare providers and facilities accepting public funds be allowed to deny coverage and refuse services they believe conflict with their religious doctrines?
 YES NO **Conscious clause is intended for individuals, not organizations**

6. Should the loophole allowing State of Washington public schools to opt out of teaching comprehensive scientifically accurate age-appropriate sex education be closed?

YES NO **Parents should still be able to opt out after reviewing curriculum**

7. Should health insurance cover medically necessary gender-identity related healthcare such as counseling, medication/hormone treatment, and surgery?

YES NO **I assume you mean government mandated coverage for all treatment options**

8. Do you support the current rights of individuals to make reproductive decisions, including abortion and contraception?

YES NO

9. Do you support continued Washington State public funding of abortion services for women in financial need?

YES NO

10. Do you support passage of the federal Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA)?

YES NO

11. Do you support the recent inclusion allowing openly LGBT citizens to serve in our nation's military?

YES NO **I served with several.**

12. Do you support the Supreme Court's recent decision striking down the section of the Defense of Marriage Act that prohibited Federal recognition of same-sex marriage?

YES NO

13. Seattle City Council enacted a mandatory employer paid sick leave ordinance in September 2011. Do you favor similar legislation at your level of government?

YES NO

14. Washington State collects demographic statistics based on race, gender and age. Should optional and confidential demographic data regarding sexual orientation also be collected?

YES NO

15. Should businesses be able to refuse services to the public if providing that service goes against their personal religious or philosophical beliefs?

YES NO **Conscious clause is intended for individuals, not organizations**

16. Should religiously-owned institutions, such as hospitals or schools, be able to legally terminate the employment of someone for being LGBT, even if their job is not in a religious capacity?

YES NO

17. Do you support current pending legislation that would restrict the practice of sexual orientation change efforts by mental health or medical providers on minors?

YES NO

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS: This section focuses on your overall campaign and your level of participation and advocacy on LGBT issues. SEAMEC gives particular weight to activities within the past five years. Please be thorough and specific.

1. What are the three highest priorities of your candidacy?

- **Educate to fuel economic growth**
- **Promote free markets & fair business practices**
- **Budget based on priorities of government**

2. How much money have you raised for your campaign? What is your final campaign budget?

\$55,495 of \$120,000

3. How would you advance LGBT issues at your level of government?

I will fight to defend the constitutional rights and civil liberties of our citizens. This includes a woman's right to choose, balanced with respect for religious beliefs and parental rights over minors. America is the land of freedom and opportunity, and that should apply without regard to race, creed, color, gender or sexual orientation.

4. What organizations and/or individuals do you consult to inform you on LGBT issues?

Log Cabin Republicans

5. Have you ever contacted any elected officials regarding any legislation or issue specifically affecting the LGBT community? Please specify who, what issue(s) time period(s) and outcome(s).

I supported the reinstatement of Mark Zmuda at Eastside Catholic this spring and encouraged my constituents to petition the Catholic Archdiocese.

6. Have you ever raised LGBT issues to any non-LGBT audiences? Please specify the issue(s), what group(s), time period(s) and outcome(s).

There hasn't been much LGBT legislation during my first term, but my Republican caucus members know that I supported Ref. 74 and am decidedly pro-choice, having been the only Republican to vote for the Reproductive Parity Act. Despite this, they still elected me to caucus leadership over two more socially conservative members who also ran for the position. In Republican leadership meetings, I've argued in favor HB 2451 (Conversion therapy) and we amended to find language that both parties could support. Unfortunately, the Senate didn't advance the bill.

7. Have you ever advocated for pro-LGBT policies in your workplace, faith institution, community organizations or elsewhere? Please specify what policies, time period(s), and outcome(s).

While serving in the U.S. Navy, I supported my department head's (unsuccessful) legal challenge under "Don't Ask, Don't Tell". My Sonar chief actually testified at his trial, but I wasn't called.

8. Why should the LGBT community vote for you?

There are currently 27 state legislatures controlled by Republicans and only 17 controlled by Democrats, and we're heading into an off-cycle election where there are expected to be significant gains by conservatives. Should Republicans gain just six seats in the Washington State House of Representatives, you'll want a few Republicans with the courage to stand up to defend LGBT rights. We could stop a lot of really bad bills.

Also, as Ranking Republican on the House Education Committee, I'm in a great position to influence state policy on sexual education.

SELF-ASSESSMENT

Please rate yourself in the following areas using this scale: A – Excellent, B – Good, C – Fair, D – Poor, F - None

B Knowledge of LGBT issues

B Sentiment/sympathy towards LGBT issues

B History/record on LGBT issues

Do you publicly identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender? *

[] YES [**X**] NO

*Your answer will not influence SEAMEC's evaluation, rating or possible endorsement of your candidacy. Answering "Yes" indicates your willingness to be identified as a member of the LGBT community on SEAMEC election rating documents. If you are not publicly open, please answer "No." If SEAMEC identifies publicly LGBT candidates, we state that sexual orientation and/or gender identity are not indications of qualification for office.