

Candidate Statements for Public Examination

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR STATE ASSEMBLY MEMBER DISTRICT 1

BRIAN DAHLE

Age: 46

Occupation: 3rd Generation Farmer, Small Business Owner, and County Supervisor

Education and Qualifications: As a third-generation farmer, businessman, and a four-term Lassen County Supervisor, I know how difficult it is for businesses and families to survive. You can be certain, I'll fight to end mandates and fees that are putting small businesses out of business, and I'll oppose any attempts to raise taxes on hard working families.

Under my leadership, Lassen County has a balanced budget and is debt free. In the Assembly, I'll fight to create a balanced budget and focus on priorities like public safety and making it easier for small businesses to grow and create jobs.

I'll protect north state water rights and oppose any plans to ship our water to Southern California. That's one reason my candidacy is supported by twenty-four local County Supervisors and the Farm Bureaus of Shasta, Siskiyou, Sierra, Plumas, Nevada, Lassen, and Modoc Counties.

I believe in a hand-up, not a handout. I believe in individual responsibility and strong families. I believe in private property rights and the right to own firearms. I believe we must secure our borders and promote public safety.

California once led the world in economic vitality; today industries are leaving the state, gas prices are soaring, and food costs continue to climb. Your family deserves better. Together, we can restore the Golden State. I will work as hard for you and your family as I do my own. If you have any questions, my cell phone number is (530)251-3888 or email Brian@BrianDahle.com. Thank you for your consideration. www.BrianDahle.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
STATE ASSEMBLY MEMBER DISTRICT 1**

RICK BOSETTI

Occupation: Businessman, Redding Councilman

Education and Qualifications: I've spent my life working in the private sector, creating jobs and signing paychecks for working families in the 1st District and I'll bring this experience to the Assembly. Sacramento has failed to stop the growth of government, the overspending, the crushing regulations, overzealous environmentalism and taxes driving businesses out of the state.

Oppose Higher Taxes. My opposition to raising taxes earned me the endorsement of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, National Tax Limitation Committee, Assemblyman Jim Nielsen, former Senator Maurice Johannessen and former Assemblyman Stan Statham.

Support Pension Reform. In 2010, I was proud to help author the first pension measure in a general law city in California to save taxpayers money and balance our budget. As your legislator, I'll help get California back on track.

Pro-Business. The California Small Business Association and Sierra Pacific Industries endorse me. I will reduce the regulations and taxes that make it increasingly difficult to create and maintain a business in California.

In 2006, I was elected to the Redding City Council, and was chosen to serve as Mayor and Vice Mayor. Under my leadership, the Council has pushed fiscally conservative policies, balancing budgets and building reserves, all while protecting essential services.

For more information, please visit www.RickBosetti.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SUPERVISOR, 4th DISTRICT**

CHERI BECK

Occupation: Retired Office Manager

Education and Qualifications: I am running because I want to continue making a positive difference in our community. As a 36-year resident, I have intimate knowledge of the issues and I want to work hard for you. My priorities are:

Public Safety is number one. I will continue to work on getting more jail space and eliminating the "catch and release" situation.

I will work on projects and programs to enhance the county's business climate. I will promote streamlining the permit process and find ways to temporarily reduce or suspend permit fees. I will work to expand tourism.

I will work to protect our water. I support the Board's efforts to secure our area-of-origin water supply.

I will participate in appropriate tax-sharing discussions involving Shasta County and the cities within the county.

I will work with the Veterans' Service Office to help resolve Veterans issues.

I am a member of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers' Association, American Legion #197 Auxiliary, Redding Chamber of Commerce, Shasta County Historical Society, Damboree Committee and CrossPointe Community Church.

Remember in November to check Beck. I pledge to work hard for you and be the best Supervisor for District 4. Visit my website at cheribeck2012.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ANDERSON CITY COUNCIL**

MELISSA HUNT

Age: 47

Occupation: Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: I'm a Shasta County native and have lived all my adult life in Anderson. I have a Master's Degree in Education and spent fourteen years teaching. In 2004, I left the classroom setting to pursue professional development and managed a business in Anderson. In 2005-06, I spent sixteen months on the Federal Grand Jury in Sacramento where I saw more than 200 cases on issues from drug possession, immigration, felons in possession of firearms, to child pornography, embezzlement, and terrorism. I currently work with seniors as an enrichment coordinator.

I have done volunteer work for YMCA Plus One Mentors, Shasta Family Justice Center, Shasta Women's Refuge, Joshua Munns/Chad Regelin Memorial Bench Honors Fund, Anderson Explodes, and the Haven Humane Society. I am the creator of "Melissa On The Roof," a fundraiser for area youth and non-profit programs. I am the regional representative for the League of California Cities and the alternate for the RABA Board and the Shasta Regional Transportation Agency.

I'd like to see more than just minimum wage jobs come to Anderson in order to continue to provide quality services for our citizens while keeping that small town feel. I'm an energetic and ethical person and with your support this November, I desire to continue to be YOUR voice for Anderson. Email me at MelissaInAnderson@yahoo.com. And thanks for making Anderson the place to be!

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR ANDERSON CITY COUNCIL

SANDY KONKOL

Education and Qualifications: The City of Anderson is in desperate need of fresh ideas and a new direction. As your Councilmember, I pledge to work tirelessly to reinvigorate the Anderson economy, make our streets safer, and balance our local budget. I will also work to make local government more transparent by creating a database to view local expenditures, research administrator salaries, and track vendor contracts with the City of Anderson.

As a grassroots champion, I believe in carrying the decision making process right to constituent doorsteps. In that spirit, I pledge to host regular town-hall meetings to keep myself connected to Anderson voters. My intent is to bring the voice of Anderson's voters from every city street right into City Hall.

To rejuvenate our local economy, I will work with the Chamber of Commerce to bring more local businesses where business growth belongs; our downtown area and the Highway 273 corridor. Along I-5, I vow to protect the green belt that separates Anderson from the City of Redding.

The 2012 election offers you the opportunity to settle for business as usual, or to ask for something more. If you're as ready as I am to move Anderson in a new direction, I'd appreciate your vote on November 6th.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
REDDING CITY COUNCIL**

GARY CADD

Age: 70

Occupation: Retired - Field Technician

Education and Qualifications: Our city needs fiscal backbone now more than ever, and I can provide it.

For the last 5 years, I've attended nearly every city council meeting and have repeatedly warned that the generous salary and benefit packages were unsustainable. Retirement costs would eventually consume us. Regrettably, I was right and we taxpayers have to make up the difference in an attempt to correct past mistakes.

We must get our fiscal house in order and grow our local economy and job base.

As a member of the Billing Review Committee of Redding Electric Utility, I complained when I witnessed this special account being used to fund other pet projects. We must stop the siphoning!

As the State of California imposes new mandates on our property rights and usurps our water rights under the mantra of climate action, our city needs to protect our own rights. I've been a leading advocate for the City of Redding requesting we have a seat at the table before state and federal regulators attempt to impose their will upon us.

When you mark your ballot for Redding City Council, I respectfully ask for your vote as a fresh voice protecting Redding's economic and civic viability. For more details, visit www.GaryCadd.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
REDDING CITY COUNCIL**

RICHARD “DICK” DICKERSON

Occupation: CITY COUNCIL MEMBER

Education and Qualifications: I have been serving the citizens of Northern California as a law enforcement officer and an elected official since 1986.

Following service on the Shasta County Board of Supervisors, and as a member of the California State Assembly, I was elected to the Redding City Council, taking office in December of 2004. I am proud to have served two terms as Mayor of Redding.

The major challenge of the last eight years is the same challenge that lies ahead. That is, how can the City of Redding continue to deliver important services to its citizens in the face of a declining economy and subsequent reductions in revenues?

In 2007 the City began taking steps to reduce costs, and we continue to do so today with hiring freezes, unpaid furloughs, and negotiated reductions in employee benefits such as; pensions and health care.

Work on these issues is my primary qualification for re-election. I pledge to all voters that I will continue to commit myself to ensuring that Redding remains a viable community by meeting our service needs with available resources.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR REDDING CITY COUNCIL

MISSY MCARTHUR

Education and Qualifications: When elected in 2008, I said Redding voters deserved accountability. I have delivered: our fiscal house is in order, we have cash reserves, and we have reduced long-term employee costs by negotiating fairly with bargaining units.

Even in tough times, demand grows for City resources. We must balance our public safety needs, like a new police station, with community resources, like trails and open spaces. We must keep housing costs affordable but never lose sight of infrastructure needs that support growth.

As a team builder, I've welcomed as many views as possible in decision-making. As a businesswoman, I've helped adopt a sound budget to keep Redding economically strong. As a Redding native, I'll work with law enforcement to keep our community as safe as it was in my youth.

Public Service: Meth Task Force, Shasta College Board of Trustees, AAUW, Rotary, Turtle Bay Regents, CSUChico President's Board, Library advocate.
Education: AA: Shasta College; BA: CSUChico; MA: USF; PA: Stanford.
Background: Physician's Assistant, 25 years; Title company owner, 10 years.
Awards: Alumni of the Year: Shasta High, Chico State.

A vote for me is a vote for keeping Redding the best city in the northstate. I'm "positively Redding!"

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
REDDING CITY TREASURER**

ALLYN FECI CLARK

Age: 55

Occupation: Certified Public Accountant (CPA)

Education and Qualifications: As a resident of Redding for 23 years, I have experienced and participated in the growth and development of our city through: 10 years working in Redding public accounting firms; 8 years as City Treasurer (1999-2007); 5 years Chief Financial Officer, Turtle Bay Exploration Park; Redding East Rotary, Immediate Past President (14 year member); Charter Member of California Women Lead, Redding Chapter; Shasta Regional Community Foundation, Investment Committee member; Greater Redding Chamber of Commerce, member and past Board of Directors; American Association of University Women, member and Board of Directors; All Saints Episcopal Church, Treasurer and member; League of Women Voters, member.

I have been a CPA for 23 years working in Redding with local businesses, educational organizations, non-profits, and families. Other volunteering has included Leadership Redding Steering Committee, Shasta Family YMCA, and Shasta Community Health Center. It has been my great privilege to serve our community while working and raising my family. I have two daughters and two grandchildren.

If elected, I will continue my commitment as your public servant to the citizens of Redding with hard work and dedication to purpose through strong financial footing, transparency in actions, security, fairness, accessibility to constituents, and service above self.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SHASTA LAKE CITY COUNCIL**

ROSE B. SMITH

Age: 56

Occupation: Appointed City Councilwoman

Education and Qualifications: I have been a resident of the City of Shasta Lake for 23 years. As a current city councilwoman the past 6 months I have gained knowledge and an understanding of all aspects of our city's operations and issues affecting my constituents. My prior experience of 16 years as a board trustee for Gateway Unified School District has given me an excellent understanding of government budgets and operations and has shown I am an effective and compassionate mediator when dealing with confrontational situations. I am retired after working 22 years for local school districts as an account clerk and secretary. I am a good representative, work well with others, and make decisions using research, input from citizens and staff, and common sense.

I am a member of New Beginnings Church of Shasta Lake and the Shasta Damboree Committee and have served as an officer and member of the Central Valley High School Booster Club.

I want stability and honesty in our city's government and realize that being a councilperson is not about the individual but about five people working towards a common goal – the good of the people.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR SHASTA LAKE CITY COUNCIL

GREG WATKINS

Education and Qualifications: I was born and raised here and graduated from Central Valley High School and then Chico State University.

I am a registered Civil Engineer and have spent my working career with the US Forest Service.

By nature and training, I tend to look at things from an unemotional point of view. I spend considerable time reading up on each agenda item and do not vote for frivolous items that will be costly and without benefit to the majority of the people.

Currently I am working to find an effective way to prevent the absurdly restrictive sewage discharge regulations the State Water Quality Board is attempting to impose upon our City. They want to force us to build expensive new facilities that will drastically hike sewer fees.

I successfully got the ridiculous \$7000 hook up fee for inactive water meters reduced to \$500 and advocate for the right of people to use their property as they see fit as long as it does not impinge on others.

So, in summary, I have the interests of the typical citizen of Shasta Lake in mind as I conduct City business.

For more information go to www.gregwatkins.info.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SHASTA COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, AREA D**

RANDY BRIX

Age: 63

Occupation: Retired Educator/Administrator

Education and Qualifications: As an eastern Shasta County resident for nearly 34 years I have been involved in local education at all levels. My experience includes teaching high school business for the Fall River Joint Unified and the Shasta Union High School Districts. I also taught college courses for Simpson, National University and Shasta College outreach programs at Burney and Fall River.

I have been married for 40 years and have two grown children and one grandchild. I am a member of the Shasta Cascade Viticulture Association, Shasta Wheelmen and Sons of Italy. I have also served many years as a member of the Future Farmers of America Advisory committee. In 2007 I was recognized as the California Curriculum and Instruction Administrator of the Year and I have been trained as an accreditation evaluator.

I am knowledgeable, dedicated and have had great success in developing education plans that focus on improving services to the community. As a former vocational education teacher I am a strong advocate for Career and Technical Education programs. If elected I will work with the Shasta College Board to develop policies and programs that meet the unique needs of adults seeking new skills and high school graduates beginning college.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MAYERS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**

MARTHA (MARTY) FLETCHER

Age: 60

Education and Qualifications: I am running for the governing board of the Mayers Memorial Hospital and can bring new dimension to the board while working cooperatively with others. I am a former employee of Mayers as an Administrative Assistant, Director of Information Technology and Marketing, and Financial Analyst encouraging clear and easy to understand information flow. I am married to Ken Fletcher, live in Fall River Mills, understand finance, hospital infrastructure and policy.

I serve on Mayers Strategic Planning Committee and as an officer on both the Fall River Valley Chamber of Commerce and the Fall River Conservancy while volunteering on various activities that support Mayers Memorial Hospital in our district. I was a volunteer on the Committee for Mayers Measure D.

Giving back to the community in which I live as member of Mayers Memorial Hospital District's Governing Board would be a privilege.

Your vote is appreciated.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SHASTA UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

KRISTEN SCHREDER

Education and Qualifications: It has been a privilege to serve on the Shasta Union High School District Board of Trustees for the past 6 years. I am proud to be part of the district's efforts to work together with teachers, parents, students, staff and the community to develop and support educational programs to ensure that our students reach their full potential and are prepared for post high school opportunities – including college, vocational training and employment. If elected, I will continue to focus on: providing quality education for all students; efficient and effective use of our limited resources; and strengthening connections between our students, their schools and our community.

I have a lifelong personal and professional commitment to education. Born and raised in Redding, I am a graduate of Enterprise High School and CSU, Chico. Additionally, I have worked as a school facility planning consultant for the past 27 years, and I am actively involved as a community volunteer. I previously served 8½ years on the Redding School District board of trustees. My husband and I have two children who recently graduated from high school in the district.

I would appreciate your vote. Thank you.