



# AMERICANS FOR PROSPERITY K A N S A S

## 2010 CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

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1) Why are you running for the Legislature?

I'm ticked off at our representation!

2) If you had the opportunity, what is the first bill you would like to submit in the 2011 session and why?

Budget repeal - There was no good reason for the bloated budget or the tax hike

3) Do you support or oppose legislation that would allow for tax increases to be enacted only by a legislative supermajority or referendum? (i.e. either 3/5 or 2/3 vote of legislature for approval of a tax increase)

a. support

b. oppose

Why?

Taxes are too easy to raise without it - I'm not sure I'd support a referendum but I do support a supermajority

4) When state revenues are less than state expenditures, which statement most accurately reflects your first priority?

- Maintain current expenditures and raise taxes.
- Both cut spending and raise taxes.
- Cut more than 15% before considering a tax increase.
- Do not raise taxes and cut spending.

If you would cut spending, are there any specific areas you would cut? Why?

Until the economy turns around, I would not consider "New spending" or suspending non-emergency projects

If you were to raise taxes, what specific taxes you would raise and why?

Not a big fan of raising taxes - I think the state needs to "live within it's means" like the residents have to -

5) What do you believe to be the most important issues facing the Kansas Legislature in the upcoming session? (Please rank 1-5, 1 being the most important)

- 1 ↑ in Ks. spending
- 2 ↓ economy
- 3 School reform
- 4 ↑ a Business friendly Ks.
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_

6) Many Cities, Counties and State agencies use tax dollars to hire lobbyists to lobby the Kansas Legislature. Do you believe this is a proper use of tax dollars and should such expenditures be disclosed to Kansas taxpayers? Why or why not?

no - I'm not sure that it's a legitimate use of tax dollars, especially if the constituents are unaware of it - However, if they are aware and agree to it, I don't necessarily have a problem with it -

7) How do you believe Kansas Supreme Court Justices should be selected?

According to the outline of the state  
Constitution -

8) If the rate of inflation (consumer price index), plus population growth in Kansas grew at 4%, what do you believe would be the appropriate percentage increase in state budget expenditures? Why?

None - Kansas should try to save  
for emergencies

9) Kansas economic growth has been lagging behind our neighboring states and annual population growth is stagnant at an average increase of less than one-half of one percent per year. As a legislator, how would you address these problems?

Cut taxes so that it frees up funds  
to hire more people and increase  
business opportunities I think money is  
best left to the person earning it and can

10) The 2010 Legislature increased the state sales tax from 5.3% to 6.3% in part, to help fund a FY 2011 state general fund budget that increases spending by \$204 million over FY 2010. Once implemented, Kansas will have the largest sales tax amongst neighboring states. (Nebraska is next closest at 5.5%). Considering 33% of our population resides in a county bordering Missouri alone, do you support the decision of the Legislature?

No! No! No! That's kinda  
why I decided to  
run!

11) Do you have any other positions or information that would be of interest to the members of AFP-Kansas?

I rode in the teaparties as  
"Paula Revere" but I'm not  
sure that will gain me that many votes!



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