

San Francisco District 11 Democratic Club
Questionnaire for Candidates – November 2016 Candidates

PLEASE USE THIS TEMPLATE TO RESPOND ELECTRONICALLY TO
info@sfd11dems.com by **Monday**, August 22, 2016 by 11pm.

Our PAC meetings are scheduled for Saturday, Aug.27 & Sunday, Aug. 28, 2016 from 10am-5pm each day. If you have a preferred time to schedule, please contact info@sfd11dems.com. Otherwise, you will receive time an email to sign up for timeslots using google docs.

1. **Name:** Ian Kalin
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5. **What is your political affiliation? How long?**

I've been a registered and active Democrat since I was 18 years old.

6. **Please list your campaign manager and contact info?**

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7. **What is the major source of your campaign funding? Also, please list your top 3 funders.**

My campaign is using a combination of personal funds and grassroots donations. Since the maximum contribution is \$500, there are many people that have contributed this amount. Financial disclosures are available at sfethics.org.

8. **What office are you running for? Please explain why you are running and what your qualifications are for this specific office?**

My wife and I are raising our kids here because we believe in San Francisco. We're entering the school system and know it isn't working for everyone. We first realized this when we tried to figure out if the school across the street from us was a good or bad fit for our son. The lack of official, transparent, and helpful information was very frustrating. It's bad for parents at every income level and contributes to a lack of accountability in the entire system. A smart city needs strong schools. That's why I'm fighting to help EVERY student.

I grew up in a bilingual, immigrant household and my career started after the 9/11 terror attacks when I became a U.S. Navy Officer. The skills I learned served me well; I grew clean-tech and data businesses right here in San Francisco, I led technology improvements for 200+ governments nationwide, delivering billions of taxpayer savings and creating 300+ jobs.

Today, I modernize governments as an appointee of President Obama. I will put these skills to work for San Francisco and strengthen our schools.

9. Identify the three most important issues for the position you seek? What are the solutions you see for these specific issue areas or how will you work to tackle them?

With your endorsement, I will deliver:

- IMPROVED ACCOUNTABILITY. San Francisco is failing to grade our schools. We need transparent, official performance metrics.
- SIMPLIFIED ENROLLMENT. Neighborhoods are torn apart. We can improve diversity and communities by reforming student assignments.
- BUDGET SOLUTIONS. Teacher shortages, overcrowding, and run-down facilities limit our children's potential. Better fiscal oversight can avert this crisis.

For detailed information on how I will deliver on these policies, please check out [this policy paper linked here](#).

10. District 11 has more children, more ethnic diversity and more homeowners than any other district in San Francisco. These are just a few of the unique features of this district. If elected, describe the priorities of your office for District 11.

Families and diversity are what my campaign are all about. Given the data you share, D11 will directly benefit from the policies I hope to lead. That said, when D11 receives a stronger SFUSD, the entire city will benefit because educational public services have a great impact on other District's ability to recruit and retain new workers (who either suffer from the 5-year flight or have to compete with private school tuition) and on city-wide traffic congestion.

11. We would like to know your position on the following ALL of the Measures, please circle or clearly mark your preference. In addition, please add short comments to your top 5 issues on why you believe this measure or proposition is of critical importance this election:

Here is where I stand on the education-related measures:

- School Bond: Yes
- Youth Voting in Local Elections YES
- Non-Citizen Voting in School Board Elections YES
- Tax on Sugar-Sweetened Beverages YES
- Allocation of Hotel Tax Funds YES

- BART Safety, Reliability and Traffic Relief YES
- CA Prop 51: School Bond for K12, CC YES
- CA Prop 55: Tax Extension for Ed and Healthcare YES
- CA Prop 56: Cigarette Tax YES
- CA Prop 58: Multilingual Education YES
- CA Prop 64: Legalization of Marijuana YES