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Q1 Candidate Information

Candidate Name: J. Dan Rothwell
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Q2 What office do you seek to be elected to?

Cabrillo College Board of Trustees, TA 6

Q3 Please choose the option best describing your candidacy: **Open Seat**

Q4 Do you identify as LGBTIQ? **No, but I strive to be a LGBTIQ ally!**
Is there anything else about your identity that you'd like us to know?:
I am an advocate for social justice for all

Q5 Are you a member of the GLBT Alliance? **No, but I'd like information on how I can become a member.**

Q6 Please describe your qualifications for the elected position you seek. Include your main issues, priorities if elected, key endorsements, plus anything else that you'd like our members to know about you and your candidacy.

Will likely be endorsed by a wide array of democratic groups; e.g., CCFT (Cabrillo College Federation of Teachers), DWC; and others

Q7 Why are you seeking the endorsement of Santa Cruz County's grassroots LGBTIQ political organization, the GLBT Alliance?

I am adamantly opposed to discrimination against any groups. I believe in social justice for everyone and equal opportunity for all.

Q8 Please tell us about any past or current experiences or involvement you've had addressing LGBTIQ issues or work you've done to support the LGBTIQ community.

As a Faculty Senate member at Cabrillo College for 22 years, LGBTIQ issues emerge from time to time. I have supported efforts to make all students comfortable with their identity in whatever ways possible.

Q9 What historic political or civil rights struggles are you familiar with that impact LGBTIQ equality?

I have taken a particular interest in the legal battles, especially rising to the level of the U.S. Supreme Court. This "can I refuse to bake a wedding cake for a gay couple" nonsense has me particularly steamed. The absurdity of the legal defense of this baker is to me nonsensical.

Q10 What is your philosophy about working with minority communities of which you are not a member, and how will this manifest in your future work with the LGBTIQ community?

Again, I advocate for social justice for all students. I have fought for equality and against discrimination in all of its ugly forms throughout my life.

Q11 Please describe any programs you know of that impact the LGBTIQ community and that are governed by or funded through the elected office you are running for? Include any suggestions you may have for improving these programs.

Cabrillo College has an Office of Student Equity; promotes a number of support services for LGBTIQ students

Q12 If elected, how would you use your position to help further issues of importance to the LGBTIQ community?

Cabrillo College already promotes the rights of all students regardless of identity. I would strongly support any future efforts in this regard.

Q13 If you receive the GLBT Alliance's endorsement, will you display it in your campaign literature?

Yes, please send me the GLBT Alliance's logo (jpg file) so I can proudly announce the endorsement on my campaign literature, social media and website!
