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## Page 1: Questionnaire

### Q1 Candidate Information

**Candidate Name:** Charles Jolissaint  
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### Q2 What office do you seek to be elected to?

Trustee Soquel Union Elementary

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### Q3 Please choose the option best describing your candidacy:

**Challenger**

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### Q4 Do you identify as LGBTIQ?

Is there anything else about your identity that you'd like us to know?:  
I am a constitutionalist and support equal protection under the laws

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### Q5 Are you a member of the GLBT Alliance?

**Respondent skipped this question**

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### 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.

My major focus is to apply my background in public policy analysis with a minor in Engineering Economic Systems to address the downward spiral in educational achievement that has occurred in the last 40 years. If we do not solve this problem in our country I think most of the issues you raised will not matter in the long run. California is close to last in scholastic achievement in the country and USA is close to last in the 35 major industrialized countries. I hope you can appreciate my position and understand the crisis.

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

To further my cause to improve our scholastic achievement in our schools

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**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.

I support that our laws should be applied fairly and justly to all. I plan to address bullying which appears to be an issue in our schools

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

In the past laws made LGBTIQ a crime, recent laws have reversed this. I believe in enforcing the laws and giving life liberty and justice to all.

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**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?

Through cooperation we all achieve meaningful common goals.

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**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.

School programs that allow for acceptance of the individual.

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

Treating all groups fairly and equally. Not favoring any specific groups.

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

**No, I would be unable to display the GLBT Alliance's endorsement.**

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