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Candidate for State Representative District 50

North Brevard and East Orange County

Endorsed by Brevard Leaders: JB Kump, Hon Scott Ellis, Cheryl Moore, Adam Kohler, Cheryl Lankes, and Phyllis Lackey, and Dave Barton

Valencia College Professor of Communication

January 2009 – Present

Fundamentals of Speech: Communication course emphasizes research, social media, writing skills, and extemporaneous speaking on timely topics. Speeches are persuasive, and informative with emphasis on powerpoint visual aids

Collins Network Co- Owner with spouse Carol

Network marketing of Nutrition Products: Vitamins, Energy Drinks, and Water Filters, Beauty Care for Women and Business Development.

University of Central Florida Professor of Communication

January 2005 – May 2008

Technical Presentations: Public speaking course designed for engineering students. Emphasis is placed on technical research, social media, writing skills, and extemporaneous delivery with powerpoint visual aids

Membership and Appointments

Titusville Chamber of Commerce – actively supporting business networking programs, government affairs, monthly luncheons, ribbon cutting events, education programs

East Orlando Chamber of Commerce- Education Committee including Annual Education Day, Business Outreach, Economic Summits, Business Networking, Ribbon-Cutting Events, and Monthly Luncheons.

Titusville Merchants Association - Supporter and Advisor

North Brevard Republican Club – Active member & occasional speaker

Orange County Republican Executive Committee - Committeeman

Orange County Parks & Recreation Board- Former Chairman of the Board of Directors

Mayor's Education Task Force- Former appointee by Orlando Mayor Hood

Education and Training

University of Central Florida **M.A.** in Mass Media Communications - 2005

Rollins College-Advanced Public Relations Seminar - 2002

University of Central Florida **B.A.**, Organizational Communications - 2001

Commercial / Instrument Pilot's License

First Class FCC Broadcast License

Recreational Activities

Sailing, flying, biking, swimming, basketball, museums, concerts, and theatre

1. Why are you running for this office? _____ I believe I'm the most qualified candidate to help improve the economy in North Brevard and East Orange County. I'm both an Educator and successful Businessman who actually resides in District 50. I've been actively working with businesses and Educators in District 50 in advising small business such as the Titusville Merchants Association. My campaign is the 3 E's Education, Economy, and most important Ethics

2. Listed below are various groups who contribute to campaigns. Please indicate, by each group, whether you believe they will support or oppose your candidacy?

I believe I will be supported by Agribusiness, Banking and Finance, Insurance, Local Businesses, Manufacturers, & Physicians.

3. The Business community will support my candidacy because:
I've been actively working with small business and educators to improve the economy. I've received special recognition from Veterans groups for supporting Counseling for Veterans. I've interacted with the concerns of hundreds of business owners in District 50. I'm ready to address their concerns about regulations and taxes that are hindering their business when I arrive in Tallahassee.

4. Describe your experience that qualifies you for the position you seek.

Successful business owner.

College Professor

Only resident of District 50

Only active member of the Titusville Chamber of Commerce and East Orlando Chamber of Commerce

Participated in many Economic Summits

Endorsed by Business and Political Leaders

Detailed plan for improving the economy

Experience with advising Titusville & Avalon Merchants

Working closely with local Insurance and Realtor groups.

Actively involved with Brevard Legislative Delegation supporting my 3 E's the Economy, Education, and Ethics