

. Should the work of State government be performed by State employees?
Yes

2. As an elected official, how would you improve the overall safety of state employees?

Increased training to all staff with priority given to employees in high stress environments.

3. What is your plan to make the health care system more fair and equitable for working Vermonters?

Continuing the work to get to a single payer system that is viable for working families.

4. Will you support collective bargaining and vote against "Right to Work" legislation in any form?

yes

5. What do you see as the role of State employees and how would you support them in their role?

State employees to many of the hardest jobs in society. Making sure they see raises every year and attract the best quality worker is imperative to Vermont in general.

6. What mechanisms would you put in place to avoid budget shortfalls?

A stronger, more thorough rating system should be implemented so we are not caught off guard when revenue downgrades occur.

7. What approach would you take to make higher education more affordable for Vermonters?

Increasing funding for the state colleges to offer Vermonters an affordable, if not free, education

8. What would you do to ensure the viability of the state college system?

Start putting higher education first on the priority list to ensure our citizens are as educated as possible. For the small towns like Johnson and Lyndon, it is vital they stay, or the towns will die.

9. Do you support a livable wage for Vermonters? If so, what do you think that amount should be?

yes, \$15/hour would be a good start.

10. Briefly state why the VSEA should endorse you, and describe the type of assistance that you would be seeking from a VSEA endorsement.

VSEA should endorse me because I am a strong democrat and always have been,. My work with the Department of Labor is testament to the kind of Legislator i would be, and i would be strong on Labor issues. As a rookie and a first time campaigner, I would love any assistance available. Whether it be a press release or mailing, i would welcome any help!!

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