

OKGOP Disclosure of Agreement of Candidates with Our Platform (Supplemental)

I, Darren Hamilton as a candidate for Oklahoma's 3rd US Congressional District provide additional answers and clarifications in this supplemental document to the OKGOP Disclosure of Agreement of Candidates with Our Platform document. Other than stated here, I fully support and agree with the sections and statements provided in this OKGOP candidate questionnaire.

Section: **REPUBLICAN PRINCIPLES**

**As Republicans,
We believe:**

2. In the free exercise of religion and right to worship as we please without government intrusion or interference.

This holds true with the exception of Satanism and in some cases Islam. Any religion that violates physical individual rights of others should be considered unlawful and is not supported by the Constitution. This also applies to any religion that would seek to displace or overthrow the Constitution. This clarification must be better understood and adjudicated, as the abuse of the wording in the Constitution is what has caused so much damage to domestic Tranquility.

5. Economic freedom is the cornerstone of individual liberty. The private sector and free market principles are the best to stimulate economic development not government programs.

I make one exception in that government funding of some Military and/or University research is of benefit to our National Security and our economic wellbeing. Under that scope, research and government contracts must be subject to the free market, and Congress must provide better oversight with respect to the waste of US Taxpayer funds.

7. In the right of every parent to act in their child's best interest including [lawful] health decisions and choosing the form of education, whether at a public or private school, or education by other means.

I believe this statement needs clarified as there are many parents these days that transfer their mental issues onto their children. One example is creating gender dysphoria issues with their child instead of guiding their child to their natural God given physical identity.

10. The Republican Party is the best vehicle for translating these ideals into positive and successful principles of government.

I agree with this at a state level; however, the National Republican Party is the source of deep corruption and many problems we now face in Oklahoma and our nation. The United States Constitution and the framers many documents are the best guide to help translate its ideals using common sense conservative principles.

Section: **FAMILY**

Preamble: We believe God is the Author and Creator of human life beginning at conception, and that each individual, created in His Image, should be treated with dignity and compassion. We hold to the fundamental principles of traditional marriage ordained by God between one biological man and one biological woman which are determined at conception, the right to life beginning at conception all the way to natural death, and religious freedom for all. We insist that any candidate receiving money and/or support from the Republican Party shall affirm and promote Traditional Marriage and Pro-Life values.

I affirm the above and will promote Traditional Marriage and Pro-Life values in the United States Congress.

A. Marriage, Children, and Adoption

We Support:

1. We support the sole right and responsibility of parents to [lawfully] rear, educate, discipline, nurture, provide healthcare and spiritually train their children without government interference.

I provide this statement to clarify for the lawful rearing of a child so as not to assume anything that could amount to child abuse as defined by the State of Oklahoma, not the Federal Government since the Constitution does not specifically mention these issues.

2. We support holding the Department of Human Services and other agencies accountable and provide for civil and criminal penalties when these agencies are negligent or abuse their authority.

I agree with the statement, however I believe the Federal Department of Human Services should be redefined and reorganized to the benefit of the people of our state and our country.

E. Religious Freedom

We Support:

2. We believe the Religious Clause of the First Amendment was meant to protect an individual's freedom of religion, not remove religion from public life.

Freedom of religion, not freedom from religion! The founders knew and made it clear that a nation without the moral guidance of religion through God would be destined to fail. We see this in our moral decline today and we've seen it in examples of civilizations throughout time. While we cannot force religion on anyone, we must make it clear the necessity of it. Hurt feelings or a fear of judgment are not grounds to dismiss religion from the public square.

E. Religious Freedom

We Oppose:

3. We oppose the granting of special protection or legal status to any person based upon sexual preference or lifestyle choices.

This topic vexes me as to how sexual identification has become so prevalent in our society as a whole. This is an area that I believe all Republicans need to make clear that sexual orientation has no bearing in society or the public square. Because we let it in, because we failed to take the lead in the argument, this has become a thorn in our side and is destroying our country. Sexuality belongs in the bedroom with consenting adults, if individuals decide to make their appearances different than others, such as in the case of many transvestites, then that is their choice and we are not subject to accept them! We can tolerate others as good people should do, ignore, do them no harm, etc., however we do not have to serve them or change our belief system to accommodate individuals who chose to be or believe they were born a way different from others.

Section: EDUCATION

A. Philosophy

We Believe:

3. We believe to comply with the Tenth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, we favor elimination and complete defunding of the Federal Department of Education.

I strongly agree with this and Congress has ceded their responsibilities to the Constitution and The People for far too long by allowing the Executive too much power and control. The Administrative State has come into existence because of this lack of leadership. The Federal Department of Education is just one of the agencies that needs rethought, redefined and/or eliminated.

A. Philosophy

We Oppose:

3. We oppose overt racism by schools [or their agents] in the name of thinly disguised faux efforts to “eliminate racism” which seek to achieve atheist, Marxist, or Socialist political outcomes.

This is important to identify and continue to repeat as a methodology for Socialist and Marxist ideologies to reeducate and brainwash the minds of our youth and society in general.

B. Curriculum

We Believe:

1. We believe that curricula should include the basics: phonics-based reading, grammar, composition, mathematics, government, history, science, spelling, penmanship, geography, and economics. We encourage the teaching of art, music, foreign languages, and

sports/physical fitness.

I would add the importance of trade related educational options, such as auto shop, electronics, as well as computer related studies to provide more opportunities for our students post educational lives.

5. We believe the heritage of the United States of America should be taught in public schools and include representative limited government, the lives and beliefs of the Founders, influence of the Bible and religion on our laws and principles, and the concept of free enterprise. We believe students should study directly from the primary founding documents, which teach that the distribution of power is among three branches of federal government and the difference between federal and state government teaching that our nation is a constitutional republic.

I strongly agree as this is the only way we can keep our Republic and I believe one of the ways leftists have come as far as they have by slowly removing it from our public schools. I would add it is paramount to also teach the results of Socialism and Marxism with the wars, suffering and the deaths they have caused in more recent history.

B. Curriculum

We Oppose:

6. We oppose the teaching of the theory of anthropogenic global warming without providing equal time for instruction in the complex systems of geo-physics that cause observable climate change, such as solar variations, plate tectonics, and volcanic eruptions.

I was pleased to note this plank as a scientist that can absolutely say the science is not settled.

Section: **GOVERNMENT**

A. Financial & Tax Issues: BUDGET

We Support:

8. We support a requirement that all bills presented in Congress identify the specific Constitutional authorization (Article I, Section 8).

This is one of the platforms of my campaign, I was very happy to see it in the planks of the OKGOP and I believe it should be emphasized more. With the Constitution as the base for all of our Federal laws, going forward any House Bill or Resolution must specify it's authority under Constitution, if it cannot, then it should not be brought to the floor. This would be the basis to go back to the many unconstitutional laws and review them for repeal.

A. Financial & Tax Issues: BUDGET

We Oppose:

1. We oppose raising the debt limit.

This is another of the reasons I chose to run for Congress and one of my campaign visions, in that our national debt is out of control and Congress must act to correct it. Nearly every election year we hear how our campaigning representatives will get spending under control and then they buckle under pressure because a government shut down will be bad press and society will somehow collapse because of it. The simple response is we won't have a government or country if we do not fix our Federal spending issues at all levels. At a minimum a plan moving forward should be provided to The People showing a path for fiscal responsibility, but that cannot even be done. Groups such as The TEA Party and Convention of the States were created based on this problem and still nothing, rather 34 Trillion in debt. I share the same frustration as everyone and resolve with a commitment to fix it.

A. Financial & Tax Issues: TAXATION

We Oppose:

2. We oppose the use of sales tax and use tax revenue bonds for advance local capital improvements. City and county improvements should be authorized only on a pay-as-you-go basis.

This is very important, as it has ruined communities I have lived in over the years. Local government, just like at the Federal level, believe that growth generated from creating bonds for infrastructure will generate more revenue and will pay for itself. In the end it is just a pyramid scheme that requires more bonds, more taxes and more development to pay for past decisions. It is a slippery slope that should be avoided at all levels of Government.

B. Protection of Constitutional Rights: Constitution

We Support:

5. We support a US Constitutional Amendment instituting term limits for all elected members of Congress.

All candidates for Federal office should voluntarily abide by state law limitations of 8 to 12 years depending on the office elected to, Representative or Senator respectively. I pledge to abide by this limitation decided by The People of Oklahoma for state offices but applied to Federal offices as well.

7. We support a requirement that each piece of legislation only address one issue.

I strongly support single issue legislation in Congress, the Omnibus process has purposefully created impossible legislative crisis time after time. Famous quotes like "We have to pass the bill so that you can find out what is in it." is treasonous in its nature and a subversion of the Constitution and legislative process.

9. We support the abolishment, or reduction and restructuring, of the Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Education, IRS, CIA, ATF, FBI, FEMA, NSA, DHS, CDC, and the Department of Labor and their powers and responsibilities distributed to state authority.

I firmly believe in this plank as it is an example of the Administrative State that has developed from Congressional negligence over time in effect making the Executive Branch far stronger than constitutionally intended. This disparity in power has shown itself over and over again by the nature of Congressional investigations resulting in no changes or actions by uncooperative agencies.

17. We support the identification of persons as citizens or non-citizens in the census.

I support the legislation Representative Massie has brought to the floor, H.J. Res. 37, for an amendment to the Constitution to apportion congressional districts based only on the number of US Citizens, not to include non-citizens.

B. Protection of Constitutional Rights: Constitution

We Oppose:

I strongly agree with all planks listed in this section.

B. Protection of Constitutional Rights: Federal & State Elections

We Support:

1. We support a bit-by-bit forensic audit of all electronic devices, including but not limited to servers, ballot machines, and paper ballots throughout the state immediately before and after each election.

Any voting system must be completely transparent and should be agreed upon by the state's voters, not elected officials. Claims of proprietary software, code, or functions should be void and not accepted by any state for the purpose of holding elections due to the public nature of elections. Any established voting system should be clear, concise and infallible, otherwise the election should be considered uncertifiable. Voting should be in person and only in the case of prior request absentee ballots provided. Elections should be determined on election day and no later as outlined in the Constitution. While voting rights are paramount, the rights of those that followed the process as legally outlined should never be usurped by those that did not follow the legal process and claim their voting rights were violated. Since the Federal Government has ceased to maintain sovereign border and let in foreign nationals at will, all voting should require proof of US citizenship in every state.

B. Protection of Constitutional Rights: Natural Resources

We Believe:

3. We believe the federal agricultural appropriations should accurately show the percentage of money set aside for non-agricultural programs such as school lunch programs and food stamps.

Any agricultural appropriations should be done so under defense spending as the production of food in our nation is a matter of national security. There should be no relation to agricultural production and social welfare programs going forward. The legacy of the Farm Bill from the New Deal needs to change and be reformatted to make sure our agricultural producers have the appropriate protections for production, fair prices, and global market access once the production needs of our country are met.

B. Protection of Constitutional Rights: Natural Resources

We Support:

5. We support energy policy based on private development, efficient use and expansion of current resources such as fossil fuels, clean coal, and nuclear energy; and exploration and efficient use of other resources such as biofuels, wind, solar and water energy.

Democrat and RINO energy policies from our Federal and State governments have failed. These policies have emphasized so-called clean and renewable sources wrongly incentivizing the shut down and removal of conventional energy sources such as coal. This failure was demonstrated by the freeze of 2021. All politicians and agencies were keen to say a combination of failures occurred, yet these failures did not occur in prior years before so-called clean energy policies were implemented. These issues are magnified in other states. I think it needs to be made clear that as Conservative Republicans we support reasonable and economically feasible energy alternatives, especially if they are environmentally cleaner, however we will not sacrifice practicality and common sense to serve alarmist agendas at the expense of the people we represent.

D. National Issues: Defense

We Believe:

4. We believe Congress and the President should refrain from weakening the military through changes to the Uniform [Code] of Military Justice. The military should be allowed to maintain its high level of honesty, integrity, morality, and operational capabilities.

The United States Military was never meant to be politicized, used for social programs, used to keep peace in other countries or be commanded by a monstrous bureaucracy the Pentagon has created. Significant reforms must be done to return our military to the greatest fighting force in the world, reserved only for maintaining our National Security, such as to prevent invasion on the Southern Border and for destroying and decimating the enemies of the United States.

D. National Issues: Foreign Relations

We Oppose:

1. We oppose the Chinese Communist Party and any other governments that are manipulators of the U.S. dollar and exchange rates at the expense of U.S. National Security as well as economic stability.

This issue cannot be emphasized enough. China's intent and its collaborators within our government are an immediate threat to our National Security. From spy balloons to compromised representatives, we need comprehensive investigations and prosecutions for acts of treason and endangerment of National Security. Senator Joe McCarthy was not wrong and we again, thanks to our own US Dollars going to China, have the scourge of Communism knocking at our door.

D. National Issues: Immigration

We Support:

7. We support the elimination of sanctuary cities for illegal aliens and the defunding of any government entity which declares itself a sanctuary city.

Any state or municipality that does not enforce the laws as defined by the Constitution should immediately have all federal funds revoked. We can no longer tolerate the disregard of our sovereignty by ideologically opposed politicians that pick and chose what laws to enforce and what laws to not enforce. Adding to that, any non-governmental organization that encourages illegal immigration should be suspended from operations in the United States and/or treated as a terrorist organization for the direct acts of undermining our Republic and The People of the United States. Illegal immigrants do deserve humane treatment. However, they are not bestowed rights under the Constitution simply by illegally crossing our border.

This concludes my additional responses to the planks laid out in the OKGOP Disclosure of Agreement. I believe my statements are in agreement with the intent of the planks and in some cases add additional description to my personal beliefs on the matters presented. In some cases my explanations expanded to cover different planks than the ones specifically noted, this was done for convenience as answering every question individually could become repetitive and somewhat onerous. If any of my statements are contradictory or do not satisfy OKGOP Review, please do contact me for additional clarification and discussions. If elected I am committed to uphold our ideals to the best of my ability and in consultation with colleagues at a State level.

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