

League of Women Voters Questions:

1. What do you see as the three most important issues for CR right now?

Keeping the accreditation current and fix any problems identified this October by the visiting committee.

Increasing enrollment and therefore increasing money coming into the college by adding certificates and training for vocational jobs.

Continue to support associate and full time faculty, adding courses at times when working people can access them.

2. What is your experience with teacher contracts?

When I was a chair of my department at Broome Community College, I was responsible for hiring, firing, and faculty contracts. I did schedules and hired teachers to teach the classes. I did this job for 13 years as a full time administrator.

3. What are your priorities for CE for the next five years?

Facilitate communication between faculty and administration, work on the next faculty contract that comes up again in 2 years, and work on getting more vocational training in the catalog. These might be Certified Nursing Assistant, critical for our nursing homes and hospitals. Expanding the nursing program to train more nurses and work with HSU to facilitate the contract to teach BSN nursing at CR with HSU administration and staff. Adding more community education programs for people who just want to take a class for enrichment.

4. How do you propose to improve collaboration with HSU to improve CR's nursing program and increase the number of nurses in Humboldt County?

This is two questions: There is ongoing negotiations with HSU to have them supply the administration and staff to teach the BSN, 3 & 4th. Years of the program at CR using our facilities and their staff. I will vote for this, ask important questions when the contract is presented, and support the project any way I can as a trustee.

To graduate more nurses from CR will require teaching more students. This will take an evening or weekend program if staff can be hired to teach it. Clinical are a problem as they need to take place at hospitals or nursing homes. This would however, graduate more nurses.

5. How do you propose to collaborate with local high schools to improve college readiness?

There already is an outreach to the local high schools to have students take the AP classes and to ready students for math and English so they will be successful when coming to CR. I support these efforts.

6. How do you propose to ensure that all CR students are welcomed and respected at CR and in the community?

I support all efforts already in place to teach respect and acceptance on campus. Several organizations reach out to students and there are professionals available to help students having problems. In the health sciences we teach respect for all people as a basis for serving our patients. I would vote for ideas presented by staff and faculty to improve acceptance of all people on our campus.

7. What are your thoughts on supporting remote locations and the technical training courses?

The remote teaching that already goes on at CR allows students from Hoopa, Crescent City and other remote areas to be part of the classroom. Since our area is so remote this gives an opportunity for continuing education. I support these efforts whole heartily.

I am passionate about technical training. I wrote the phlebotomy training course and helped get the first class started. The next one to start is pharmacy tech. These classes give students a trade to go out and get a job. They are vital. These can also be in construction. Plumbing, electrical, any type of job that needs a skill. These certificates can also be medical billing, coding, records, recorder, medical reception, insurance, electronic records. I whole heartily support this idea.

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