

WHY VOTE?

Because local politics matter. Because the smoking ban is on the ballot - again. Because if we don't back the good candidates now, there won't be anyone good on the ballot in November. Because the Columbus Public Schools budget is huge - who's minding the store?

WHO ARE THESE PISSED OFF PEOPLE?

We're a group of young concerned citizens who believe that the power of electoral politics belongs in the hands of the people. We support progressive candidates. We seek to help voters make informed choices by researching the candidates.

We stand for truth and accountability from elected officials. Find out more at columbusindyvoter.org.

HOW DOES THIS WORK?

- 1. Get this slate.
- 2. Wonder what's up with this. Visit <u>columbusindyvoter.org</u> for more info.
- 3. Think it's cool. Pass it on to your friends. Or don't. Whatever.
- 4. VOTE MAY 3. Use this slate as a guide. Find your polling place at www.co.franklin.oh.us/boe/
- 5. Go to <u>columbusindyvoter.org</u> and tell us you voted with the slate. Stand up and be counted. We use the list to show elected officials that young, progressive voters turn out to the polls and we'll hold them accountable to needs and values of our community.

COLUMBUS INDYVOTER. ORG

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THE CANDIDATES

The candidates we endorse are marked with a \checkmark . Our endorsements are based on scores, percentages listed with each name, that we gave the candidates for their answers to questionnaires we sent them. See the questionnaire, criteria, and candidates' answers at <u>columbusindyvoter.org</u>. Four city council candidates and five school board candidates responded. Those who did not respond were not eligible for our endorsement. TWO NOTES: first, these are "nonpartisan" races, so all the candidates below will be on the ballot. Second, there will be three open seats for each race in the fall, so you can vote for six candidates for each race in the primary. Choose wisely.

COLUMBUS BOARD OF EDUCATION (Choose 6)

School Board and City Council

✔ Al Warner

Eminently qualified; many years of service to the schools and community. Serves currently on the Innovative Schools Task Force and Equity Task Force. Very independent minded; endorsed by former Board President Dave Dobos.

75%

Michael D. Wiles 80.76%
Has energy to burn and fresh, principled ideas, also a good handle on the status quo. Plus, he supports community involvement and accountability.

Andrew Ginther 60.68% Incumbent Ginther has a fine record and shows results, and he's done good work on the board thus far. Scored too low to earn endorsement.

Bill Buckel 25.19%

Answered less than half of our 19 questions, but he's got good policy ideas. Definitely a voice that needs to be in the dialogue.

Barbara Bryson did not respond Bryson is super active in the Republican party, has worked for many R'pub candidates and office holders, including infamous J. Kenneth Blackwell.

Betty M. Drummond did not respond We'd like to see incumbent Drummond's seat turned over to a new, more creative, effective board member.

✓ W. Carlton Weddington 72.92% He's a newbie without much experience or a sophisticated analysis about power, but he's so eager to work with us and hear us out on the issues. Active in the Democratic Party.

COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL (Choose 6)

✓ Mary Ellen O'Shaughnessy 76.94% A mainstay in Columbus progressive politics. She's been a big supporter of getting better recycling (the new blue-bag pilot program). Endorsed by the Dems.

Eddie Pauline

Fresh from the OSU Student Government presidency, EP is young and, well, moderate. Pragmatic in his approach to the issues. Endorsed by the 'publicans, but don't let that stop you.

77.5%

Wanda Corner 55.38%

Running with Lorena Lacey as Rescue Team Bravo. Responded to us in-depth with much appreciated enthusiasm, but their stances on the issues aren't our thing.

Lorena Lacey	52.52% (See Wanda Corner)
Phil Harmon	did not respond
Kevin L. Boyce Incumbent Boyce did not respond to ou the Dems.	did not respond r questionnaire. He is endorsed by
Mary Jo Hudson Incumbent Hudson did not respond to o the Dems.	did not respond ur questionnaire. She is endorsed by
Alicia Clark	did not respond

Endorsed by the Republican Party, Clark did not respond to our questionnaire.