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EPISD Board of Trustee Endorsements

The El Paso Federation of Teachers and Support Personnel is proud to announce its endorsements or support of candidacies in the May 9th EPISD Board of Trustee Elections. The Federation is endorsing and/or supporting four excellent candidates in Districts Two, Six and Seven. After extensive research, screening and debate the Federation is recommending four candidates who share these essential common views and positions.

1. They all understand they are accountable to the citizens within their district, the employees of the District and most importantly the students of EPISD.
2. They are all strong supporters of Public Education understand the threats posed by the voucher profiteers, snake oil salesmen and charterizers to the District.
3. They all understand and support the important role of unions as a voice for employees within the District. In fact, two, Mr. Patino and Mr. Velarde were union members.
4. They understand that employee morale is at an all-time low, and better compensation and benefits are essential AND that there is a serious lack of trust amongst employees that must be addressed.
5. All understand that the “don’t rock the boat or I will throw you overboard” leadership style of some senior administrators is both destructive and dangerous, and won’t tolerate that style.
6. All know that there is a lack of equity in terms of facilities and programs within the EPISD and are committed establishing equity and an equally great public education for every student within the District.
7. All are successful within their career fields. More importantly, all share a common goal of making sure EVERY student in the District has the same educational opportunity to succeed as they did.

When We Vote, EPISD Kids Win

In District Two (Burgess-Jefferson), the Federation strongly endorses and encourages you to vote for and ask your friends, family and neighbors to vote for Mr. Al Velarde.

In District Seven (Coronado), the Federation strongly endorses and encourages you to vote for and ask your friends, family and neighbors to vote for Ms. Dori Fenenbock.

In District Six (Franklin), the Federation supports the candidacies of two very capable gentlemen, Mr. Trent Hatch and Mr. Al Patino. Both are extremely strong candidates and will do well by the students and employees of District Six. During the Federation COPE decision making process, the two gentlemen were equally supported by the voting members. Please vote for one of the two fine candidates. It should be noted that the third candidate in that District operates a 'for profit charter' that draws students away from EPISD and should not be seriously considered given that major conflict of interest.

In Solidarity,

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