

MERIDIAN TEA PARTY
2011 CANDIDATE/INCUMBENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Candidate/Incumbent Name: George Bennette

Office aspired to/Currently holding: Supervisor distrait Three, Landendale County

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Education/Degrees/Certificates held: HS graduate, Quality Control Certificate

Miss College, Clinton, ms - Safety specialist certified by US government

Military Experience/Highest Rate or Rank Held/ Occupational Specialty: _____

Years of Service: _____

Business/Industry Experience/Highest Position held: TRANSPORTATION specialist

Years of Service: 40 # Of Employees Managed: own 1500

Own Business Experience: own Trucking Company, safety consultant,

Truck engineering Years of Service: 40 # Of Employees Managed: own 1500

If elected to office, what will be your three top priorities? management of Roads, Taxes
& Job explanations - Businesslike management of County.

Simply put, what qualifies you for this office? have been in Business management
for years & can separate Personality from Business. Also
have great state & federal understanding of grants & connections.

How would you describe your political views?

Very Conservative - Conservative - Moderate - Liberal - Very Liberal - Socialist - Other

Please comment: we need more bang for the buck but with
more emphasis on Community participation.

What are the most important values and ethics you believe in and demonstrate as a leader? Honesty
Respect & helping others - Long work hours with concern
To our Community.

Identify three of your most important leadership accomplishments: founding various
companies, helping get Ronald Reagan elected to the
Presidency & helping kids with their education.

What is the proper role of government? for the people, by the people
and of the people. NOT for the rich &
thick lawyers.

Are ethics as important as economics in elections? very much so.

Leaders often deal with conflict. Describe a recent significant conflict you have had to handle, what was the outcome? Are you satisfied with the outcome? Could you have handled it better? How?

had a union grievance filed, it was heard & I
won - It was about Job Policy that was being done
properly but was determined by some to be wrong - I
was upheld. it was union vs my company. I handled
it coolly & was able to convince the board I was correct.

What is your position with regard to the statement "... to the people's right to keep and bear arms?"
we must continue this right vigorously.

America's federal deficit has reached an all-time high, being measured in numbers never before expressed to the people. If elected/re-elected, what can you do to reverse this trend locally?

we must utilize all means at our disposal to save
our money without raising taxes.

How do you feel about the economic outlook of Meridian, Lauderdale County and/or Mississippi?

we have to educate our citizens - all of them - to a
better attitude toward the community's because until
we have on display a positive attitude no outsiders
we get a positive feeling about the area and this
is a first look for any prospective businesses coming
or even considering our community's.

The Mississippi Legislature recently tried to pass legislation dealing with illegal immigration (SB2197). What is your opinion about this law and similar laws and/or how should Mississippi be approaching this issue? How do you believe illegal immigration does/will affect this area and specifically your office should you win?

This must be a Top Priority - we already have laws on the federal level that are NOT being used - we must force the Fed's hand into utilizing the existing laws - we can try to id these illegals if we use all means at the local level to remove them from our community.
Are there any tax measures you would advocate to assist in job creation?

Only on the local level - we are having to support outside groups without supporting our local businesses which are expected to sink or swim on their own

Do you believe children would get a better education if parents had the right to choose their children's school?

Yes we already see this within family's that can afford private schooling.

Do you support the "Charter School" concept of education?

Yes

Should teachers be required to pass standards examinations pertaining to the discipline they teach?

most definitely

What are your views of the current school curriculum, textbooks and educational results in our area and what changes, if any, would you advocate?

We need to go back to - Reading - Writing & Arithmetic
Also the golden rules. we need to also teach more patriotism, by example of The Pledge of Allegiance every day. we also need to teach more self respect instead of giving more excuses.

It has been suggested that the Department of Education (and the office of the Secretary of Education) is an unnecessary extravagance. Should this government agency be abolished and bring control of education back to a state or local level?

Yes. Why? give it back to the community's

No. Why? _____

Are you in favor of seeking funds from the Federal Government for projects in Lauderdale County?

Yes - it is our Tax dollars - however we need to be sure we are NOT Tied down to bypassing our standards & community beliefs for the funds.

Does Government at any level create jobs? If so, describe examples:

NO Just more overhead.

Do you favor indefinite extension of unemployment benefits for out-of-work people in Mississippi and how should those benefits be funded?

NO - If we force more people off unemployment & foodstamps more deadbeats would have to work which would free up more Tax dollars & increase Tax income from more payroll taxes & less jobs open less illegals to contend with. Win-win

Should Mississippi's public sector employees be unionized or be able to collectively bargain?

NO - this removes the ~~ability~~ ability for their supervisors to recognize good employees, with promotions & ect & the ability to discharge or discipline bad employees, no rewards or consequences for work done.

Comments on any of the above topics you may wish to address further. Thank you for your input.

Use this space to explain or describe any issues or beliefs that pertain to the office for which you are running or personal information that you feel is important for voters to know about you or your campaign:

we need to TAKE A more business approach TO
our local government & less personal feelings
to other board members

Thank you for completing this survey!

Meridian Tea Party members are grateful for your responses to our questions and in exchange for returning the completed survey to us, we will extend an invitation for you to participate in our Local Candidates Forum we plan to hold at The Temple Ballroom on a date to be announced.

Please return your completed questionnaire to the address below.

Respectfully,

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