

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT FOR COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET

ELECTION DATE: 5/21/13

Original Statement
 Amended Statement

Name of Candidate (as it will appear on ballot) Tom Koehler Address 2225 SE 59th

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Filing for: Office of Portland School Board
 Name of County/City/District _____
 Number of Position/Zone if applicable zone 6

This information furnished by (Name of Candidate or Committee as it should appear in voters' pamphlet) _____

Attached to be included in the Candidate's Statement for the candidate listed above:

Required information
 Occupation (present employment paid or unpaid), or the word "None"
 Occupational Background (previous employment paid or unpaid), or the word "None"
 Educational Background, or the word "None"
 Prior Governmental Experience (elected or appointed), or the word "None"
 Optional Information
 Statement(s) of Endorsement, if applicable (number filed: _____)
 Photograph

NOTE: Language which violates any provision of ORS 251.415 will be excluded from the voters' pamphlet.

By signing this document, I hereby state:
 All information provided by me on this form (MCED 009) is true to the best of my knowledge and the photograph I
 _____ years old.

Signature of Candidate or Agent on behalf of Candidate _____ Date Signed 3/29/13

Phone Number of Agent (if applicable) _____

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OCCUCATION: Renewable fuels consultant

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Co-founder, ChinookBook and Pacific Ethanol companies; community organizer

EDUCATION BACKGROUND: Oregon State University, BA, Economics

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Corvallis City Council, 1985-1987

PERSONAL: Active parent of three PPS students, Habitat for Humanity volunteer

“Tom is deeply committed to public education and listens to teachers and students. He has the courage to challenge the status quo to give our community the schools we need.”

—Susan Anglada Bartley, M.Ed, award-winning Portland teacher

Tom Koehler for School Board
Effective Leadership Now

Our schools could be the strongest, most innovative in the country. Tom Koehler’s leadership experience and commitment to students is needed now to make it happen. **Tom’s priorities:**

Prepare Students for College or Career and Improve Graduation Rates. Our current graduation rates are unacceptable! We must:

- Enhance supports for school readiness
- Increase rigor of middle school curriculum
- Strengthen interventions to help struggling students
- Expand career technical education and college preparation offerings
- Reinstate full class schedule for high schools, ending mandated late arrival and early dismissal

Ensure Exceptional Leadership. A quality principal in every school.

Support Teachers and Parents. Give teachers tools and resources; listen to parents.

Build Accountability. Tom will hold district leadership accountable for results and use his business skills to allocate scarce funds wisely and responsibly.

ENDORSEMENTS:

Portland School Board Members Bobbie Regan, Trudy Sargent

Portland Association of Teachers

Congressman Earl Blumenauer

Multnomah County Chair Jeff Cogen, Commissioner Deborah Kafoury

Portland City Commissioner Steve Novick

Reps. Alissa Keny-Guyer, Mitch Greenlick

Community and parent leaders: Chris Myers, Lisa Zuniga, Laura Smoyer, Molly Cliff Hilts, Tony Jones, Nancy Hamilton, Mike Rosen, Kate Raphael, Dara Wilk, Amy Kohnstamm, Rita Moore,

Julia Brim-Edwards, Karla Wenzel, Mary Schutten, Mike Lindberg, Gretchen Kafoury, Eileen Brady, Tom Kelly, Caroline Fenn, John Grout ... and more!

“Every child wants to learn and every parent hopes for a quality education. We can do better. Board leadership will make a difference. That's why I'm asking for your vote.”

—Tom Koehler

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