

Ken Bukowski for Emery School Board
Green Party of Alameda County Endorsement Questionnaire

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1. Motivation -- Why did you choose to run for School Board? **I'm running for school board because the current board seems insensitive to the needs of the teachers and students. The Emeryville schools do not offer the same level of programs and services available to kids in other districts. I would also like to carry out plans to better organize the Emeryville Community with the new ECCL project.**
2. Program and Priorities -- Elected office provides the opportunity to proactively lead by placing new ideas on the agenda for consideration and development. What are some specific ideas you intend to pursue if elected? **Would like to do a feasibility study to determine if it makes sense to merge this district with another school district. Would like to focus on getting Emeryville parents to send their kids to our local school, and if not determine what the problem is.**
3. Qualifications -- Please give a brief summary of your background and qualifications for the office of School Board member. **I have lived in Emeryville for 37 years. As a past city council member i voted to provide funds to provide city funds to help bail out the district, I helped forge the creation of the ECCL and the city school partnership. Council Member Nora Davis and I were responsible for the creation of the city school committee, which is a joint meetings of the school board and city council on a regular basis.**

Since I retired from the city council i have volunteered to post all videos of the school board meetings to make them available to the public on demand. That work has allowed me to follow all of the meetings and become fully aware of ll the issues. A dew years ago I became the guardian of my teen aged nephew for 8 months who I enrolled in the school district, and during that time I experienced the role of a parent.

I was also responsible , along with former council member Bob Savage for the creation of the Emeryville Child Development Center. A city sponsored pre-school facility.
4. School Ratings and Evaluations -- How do you rate the Emeryville schools? Name the success and shortcomings? **The schools don't seem to be up to par with neighboring districts, but want**

to see a study to confirm, as stated above. I am disappointed the current board seems to lack a level of compassion for the community and its concerns. I want create a bi-monthly community meeting to talk about issues in school. A meeting which could be broadcast live with opportunity for parents to be able to call in their concerns. I feel there is not enough opportunities to address the issues..

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5. Budget -- What changes to the EUSD budget would you suggest? (include changes to revenue). How do you see the impact of the new Local Control Funding Formula and the role of staff and parents/community in LCAP?

The district is always struggling for money. this is one reason why I want to look at the potential for merger. The District needs to improve relations with the business community, and come up with new ideas for fund raising. The district should have an annual event to show recognition to all of those who have donated time and money for the kids.

The LCAP is a state mandated program to encourage more parental involvement, il encourages more flexible use of school resources, and Forces districts to identify its priorities. I am optimistic it will make a difference.?