OREGON PROGRESSIVE PARTY

OUR PARTY'S CANDIDATES

OUR CROSS-NOMINATIONS

Chris Henry	State Treasurer	Brad Avakian	Secretary of State
James Ofsink	State Senate # 21	Jill Stein	U.S. President
Cynthia Hyatt	State House #15	Peter DeFazio	U.S. House, District 4
Sami Al-AbdRabbuh	State House # 16	Eric Navickas	U.S. Senate
		Joe Rowe	State House # 44
		Fergus McLean	State House # 7



We fight for economic justice, human rights, environmental protection, and grassroots democracy.

WE OPPOSE: the corruption of elections by big money, Wall Street bailouts, the war in Afghanistan and any more war in Iraq, "corporate personhood," and NAFTA, WTO, and other "free trade" deals, **including TPP**.

WE SUPPORT: real campaign finance reform, Medicare for All, equal rights (including same-sex marriage), and \$15 minimum wage for all, now.

WE ENDORSE: Sharon Meieran for Multnomah County Commissioner.

We are <u>very</u> different from the Establishment parties.	Democratic	Republican	Progressive
Real campaign finance reform, particularly in Oregon	NO	NO	YES
Oppose Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP), other "free trade" deals	NO	NO	YES
End "corporate personhood" and constitutional rights for corporations	NO	NO	YES
"Medicare for All" comprehensive health care	NO	NO	YES
Oppose cuts in Social Security & Medicare benefits	NO	NO	YES
Increase minimum wages to living wage (\$15 or more now, not later)	NO	NO	YES
Employment for All (public works projects, WPA style)	NO	NO	YES
Increase income taxes on big corporations and the wealthy	NO	NO	YES
Oppose Wall Street bailouts	NO	NO	YES
Repair, improve infrastructure (transportation, water systems, etc.)	NO	NO	YES
Oppose wars in Iraq, Afghanistan; bring troops home now and stop sending in more	NO	NO	YES
Oppose military intervention in Syria	NO	NO	YES
Slash military spending and foreign bases	NO	NO	YES
End occupation of Palestine	NO	NO	YES
Oppose government spying on Americans, including drones	NO	NO	YES
Equal rights for all; same-sex marriage	NUVR*	NO	YES
Clean energy; no nuclear subsidies	NO	NO	YES
Oppose shipping coal or oil for export from Pacific Northwest ports	NO	NO	YES
Oppose offshore oil & gas drilling	NO	NO	YES
Legalize marijuana possession and use	NUVR*	NO	YES
Require labeling of genetically engineered food *NUVR = Not Until Very Recently	NO	NO	YES

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OREGON ISSUES

- 1. **Real Campaign Finance Reform:** Oregon Democrats and Republicans have never enacted limits on political campaign contributions but have repealed voter-enacted limits 3 times. Democrats in state office are refusing to enforce the campaign finance reform Measure 47 enacted by Oregon voters in 2006. Campaign spending for Oregon state offices has skyrocketed from \$4 million in 1996 to \$40 million in 2014. Winning a contested race for the Legislature (about 10,000 votes needed for a House seat) now typically costs over \$650,000, sometimes over \$1 million per candidate.
- 2. **The Initiative and Referendum:** These should be available to grass-roots efforts. The Democrat Secretary of State is now discarding over 35% of all voter signatures on initiative petitions due to arbitrary, hyper-technical, and unnecessary rules, raising the cost of petition drives so high that only corporations, unions and the very wealthy can afford to use it.
- 3. **Invest in Oregon:** The State Treasurer should direct part of Oregon's \$89 billion of investment funds to invest in public works and jobs for Oregonians instead of investing in vulture capitalists, corporate raiders, leveraged buyout artists, and fossil fuel corporations and vendors.
- 4. **Fair Taxation:** Oregon has the 4th highest income taxes of any state on lower-income working families and is still at the bottom in taxes on corporations.
- 5. **Stop Government Promotion of Gambling:** Including video poker.
- 6. Stop Transporting Fossil Fuels by Rail through Oregon Communities.

OREGON BALLOT MEASURES

NO on 95: allows public universities to play the stock market

YES on 97: increases corporation taxes

YES on 98: increases state funding for high school vo-tech and college readiness

YES on 100: prohibit sales of parts from certain wildlife species

YES on 26-184: Multnomah County: Campaign Finance Reform (honest-elections.com

YES on 2-100: Benton County: Ranked Choice Voting (betterballotbenton.com)

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