



EmpowerU 10/23/2017 Debate Rules

- Date:** Monday, October 23, 2017
- Where:** The Farm, 239 Anderson Ferry Road, Cincinnati, OH 45238
- Dinner:** Dinner is served to guests starting at 5:45 PM (This is an optional paid buffet)
- Broadcast:** This debate will be broadcast live on the internet. A link to the debate will be found on the website www.empoweruohio.org under 10/23 class.
- Debate:**
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| 6:50 PM | Welcome, Introduction of Candidates attending running for Council |
| 7:00-7:10 | Announcements, About EmpowerU |
| 7:10-7:50 | First Six Questions (Attached on Next Page) |
| 7:50-8:30 | Questions submitted by Members of the Audience on cards |
- Moderator:** Dan Regenold, Managing Board Member EmpowerU
- Format:**
- We will solicit questions before the event on our website: www.empoweruohio.org and via email at info@empoweruohio.org
 - The debate will begin with a 3 minute Opening Statement
 - 6 Questions will be chosen and submitted to all candidates by October 16, 2017 --before the debate. This will give the candidates 1 week to prepare these 6 questions. These 6 questions will be answered first with 2 minutes to answer.
 - We will allow a 1 minute rebuttal on 3 of the 6 questions from each candidate. If a candidate wants to rebut they can simply raise their hand. (use the rebuttals wisely).
 - Each candidate will get a 2 minute closing statement.
 - The remaining time will be used to ask candidates questions submitted by the audience on 3x5 cards. We will also take questions from on-line attendees. We also may take live questions from the audience, but will limit questions to 30 seconds and control the speaker's ability to make comments and editorial comments.
 - Nita Thomas, Executive Director of EmpowerU will be assisting the questions in the audience along with an EmpowerU Board member who will be passing these questions to the moderator that are answered on-line.
- Timing:** There will be a timer at this event which will keep things moving. The person answering the question last, will answer the first question next.
- Crowd:** The crowd will be kept in strict conformity with the rules of this debate.
- Questions:** Contact Nita Thomas at 513-478-6261 or Dan Regenold at 513-544-9014 (dan@empoweruohio.org) or Nita Thomas at 513-478-6261, (nita@empoweruohio.org).