

## EmpowerU 10/3/2016 Debate Rules

**Date:** Monday, October 3, 2016

<u>Where:</u> The Farm, 239 Anderson Ferry Road, Cincinnati, OH 45238

**<u>Dinner:</u>** Dinner is served starting at 5:45 PM

**Debate:** 6:30-7:25 Commissioner Todd Portune (D) vs. Challenger Andrew Pappas (R)

7:25-7:35 Break

7:35-8:30 Commissioner Dennis Deters (R) vs. Challenger Denise Driehaus (D)

**Moderator:** Dan Regenold, Managing Board Member EmpowerU

**Format:** --We will solicit questions\* from the audience in writing at the event. Questions

will also be solicited via email before the event.

-Opening Statement 3 Minutes

-5 Questions will be chosen and submitted to all candidates on September 26 --before the debate. This will give the candidates 1 week to prepare these 5 questions. These 5 questions will be answered first with 2 minutes to answer.

-We will allow a 1 minute rebuttal on 3 of the 5 questions from each candidate. If a candidate wants to rebut they can simply raise their hand.

-\*The remaining 20-25 minutes will be used to ask candidates questions That have been solicited from the audience and/or email.

-Nita Thomas, Executive Director of EmpowerU will be sorting the questions along with an EmpowerU Board member who will be passing these questions to the moderator.

<u>Timing:</u> 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.

<u>Crowd:</u> 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