

Please tell us your name and seat for which you are running.

**Karey Hanks District 35 seat A**

Abortion 1) When does life begin? **At conception**

2) Do you believe that Roe v. Wade is settled law? **I believe it should be repealed.**

**Science has advanced so there is NO DOUBT these are live babies. I am encouraged that we may soon be able to push back by state and stop the killing of pre-born babies.**

3) Do you believe a woman has the right to choose to terminate her pregnancy? **No, she has the choice (in 99% of cases) to abstain from sexual relations. Obviously rape and incest is another part ( below question)**

4) Do you believe that our state should ban abortions? **Yes!**

5) Do you believe that if our state should ban abortions, there should be exceptions for rape and incest? **I prefer that these women get counseling and encouragement to carry out pregnancy. These are still babies and I would support legislation to end all abortions in Idaho, except for the very rare life of mother consideration.**

Criminal Justice 1) Are you in favor of decriminalizing drug use? **I would need to discuss this with LEO, including our sheriffs.**

2) Do you support the legalization of Marijuana? **No**

3) Do you support mandatory minimum prison sentences for people charged with drug possession? **Another one to discuss with LEO. I think there are sometimes unusual circumstances, so depending on the views of our local law enforcement/correctional people, I would take guidance from their experience.**

4) Do you support the Patriot Act? **No**

5) Should it be illegal to burn the American flag? **No, even though it is egregious to me. I think of patriots who have died in protecting our right to free speech--we should have utmost respect for what our flag represents.**

6) Are you in favor of a National Identification card system? **No**

7) Should producers be required to label genetically engineered foods (GMOs)? **Required by whom? I think consumers should demand it.**

Economic Issues:

1) Should the current estate tax rate be decreased? **Ended**

2) Should the government use economic stimulus to aid the country during times of recession? **No. This is not the proper role of government and has been shown to make recovery more difficult**

3) Should the government break up Amazon, Facebook and Google? **Not studied on this.**

4) Should the government subsidize farmers? **In an ideal world, no. But at this point in time priorities are upside down, and if our farmers are not subsidized we will lose the ability to raise crops/food. This is a priority issue.**

5) Would you favor an increased sales tax in order to reduce property taxes? **Trade-offs never work. The tax issue is complex.**

- 6) Should the Federal Reserve Bank be audited by Congress? **Yes**
- 7) Should the government raise the retirement age for Social Security? **It will have to raise it.**
- 8) Should Social Security be phased out over time? **Yes**
- 9) Should the State of Idaho get out of the sales of liquor business? **Haven't studied this one.**
- 10) Do you believe it is in the public's interest to repeal the grocery tax? **Yes**
- 11) Should cities be allowed to offer private companies economic incentives to relocate? **I would have to study this one more.**
- 12) Should Idaho have legalized gambling? If so, should it be limited in scope, such as sports betting, horse racing, online casino, lottery only, etc.? **According to our Idaho Constitution, we should legislate morality, temperance and the purity of the home. So I oppose gambling.**

#### Education

- 1) Do you support charter schools? **Yes**
- 2) Do you support Home schooling? **Yes, and I have home schooled 5 of my children.**
- 3) Do you believe that public schools are under funded? **No, but I do believe funding should be examined and change priorities. Teachers are on the "front line" and should be paid better. Look at the salaries and benefits of superintendents and other administration.**
- 4) Should the Supplemental Levy/Plant Facilities Levy process be eliminated? **I would have to study this one also.**

Electoral Issues: 1) Should the minimum voting age be lowered? **No** If so, to what age?

- 2) Should a photo ID be required to vote? **Yes**
- 3) Do you support a Constitutional Convention? **No**
- 4) Should convicted criminals have the right to vote? **Is this after they are released? Have they completed their sentence? More to know.**
- 5) Should all elections in Idaho be on the same date as the Primary/General elections only? **Yes**
- 6) Would you be in favor of each County in Idaho having a State Senator (44) as opposed to each legislative district (35)? **Yes, great idea.**
- 7) Would you be in favor of a State Constitutional Amendment authorizing an Electoral College system in Idaho? **Haven't heard the debate on this one.**
- 8) Would you be in favor of term limits for Idaho elected officials? **No. People/voters term limit officials. This was already tried and repealed.**
- 9) Do you believe the country/state should move to a mail-in ballot system, or a computer voting system? **NO**
- 10) Should the primary election be changed to a later date? **Not necessarily. It's in statute and has worked well in May.**
- 11) Should the election be changed to an all mail-in ballot system? **No**

Environmental Issues: 1) Should the government increase environmental regulations to prevent climate change? **No, this could be a long answer...**

2) Do you support the use of hydraulic fracking to extract oil and natural gas resources?

Yes

3) Should the government give tax credits and subsidies to the wind power industry? NO

4) Should researchers be allowed to use animals in testing the safety of drugs, vaccines, medical devices, and cosmetics? It would depend on what type of testing. Haven't looked into this one.

Firearms 1) What kinds of firearms should be registered? None

2) Should teachers be allowed to carry guns at school? Yes--training a good idea.

3) Should the Sheriff be authorized to remove firearms from people suspected of having mental health issues? Only with due process. No red flag laws.

4) Who should not be allowed to carry firearms? Those who have committed crimes, convicted, so it is unlawful for them to carry according to statute.

5) Should the federal government institute a mandatory buyback of assault weapons? NO

Foreign Policy: 1) Should every 18 year old citizen be required to provide at least one year of military service? Even though it would be good for many of them, no, the government should not require it.

2) Should the U.S. remain in the United Nations? NO

Health Care 1) What would you do to lower health care costs? We have many doctors and other people in the healthcare realm that have solutions. I would work with them. Government intervention increases cost and regulation.

2) Should there be a plan in place before attempting to repeal Obamacare? Yes, and people have ideas now!

3) What role should government play in advancing science-based medicine? The less the better--not a proper role of government.

4) Should people be required to work in order to receive Medicaid? Yes, but we need better options.

5) Should the government regulate the prices of life-saving drugs? No, but I don't know much about the reasoning for this.

6) Should health insurers be allowed to deny coverage to individuals who have a preexisting condition? Yes.

7) Should the government require children and/or adults to be vaccinated for preventable diseases? No.

8) Should terminally ill patients be allowed to end their lives via assisted suicide? No.

Immigration 1) What steps would you take in our state to handle the immigration issues? This one I would have to confer with others and study this complex issue.

2) Should local law enforcement be allowed to detain illegal immigrants for minor crimes and transfer them to federal immigration authorities? Yes

3) Should children of illegal immigrants be granted legal citizenship? No

4) Should immigrants to the United States be allowed to hold dual citizenship status? Is this after they become legal U.S. citizens?

Lands 1) Do you believe the Federal Government is managing the public lands well?

**NO**

2) Do you believe it is the right of the individual states to control and manage public lands? **YES**

Social Issues 1) Do you support the legalization of same sex marriage? **No**

2) Should homosexual couples have the same adoption rights as straight couples? **No**

3) Should transgender athletes be allowed to compete in athletic events for other than their biological sex? **No**

4) Do you support the death penalty? **Yes**

5) Should welfare recipients be tested for drugs? **Yes**

6) Should the government raise the federal minimum wage? **End it.**

7) Should there be fewer or more restrictions on current welfare benefits? **More**

8) Do you think our state should discontinue licensing marriage? **More important issues to study right now.**

**I don't claim to have all the answers--I would be contacting mayors, county commissioners, LEO, and local residents and business people to see how legislation affects them. Information is very important in determining what is best for our people and our state.**