

# Education Minnesota Voter Information: House District 56B

Dear educator,

Those elected this November will make decisions that directly impact your students, pocketbook, profession and union. Because of this, we wanted to provide some information on where the candidates for Minnesota House in your district stand on the issues educators have said they care about the most.

A candidate's position is sometimes more complicated than a "yes" or "no" answer. We have done our best to represent each candidate in a fair and reasonable way. Unless noted otherwise, the statements were taken from Education Minnesota's candidate questionnaire.

For educators seeking more specific information on their local candidate's positions on Education Minnesota's top priorities of pay, pensions and health care, the questionnaires are available at [www.edmnvotes.org](http://www.edmnvotes.org).

<p><b>Do you believe in fully and equitably funding public education, from preschool to postsecondary institutions, with several billion dollars in new education investments?</b></p>	
<p><b>John Huot</b> Said he would work to reverse Minnesota's perpetual underfunding of education. Promises to support full funding of special education and English language learner programs. Committed to providing additional resources such as counselors, social workers, and support staff. Promises to support all students no matter who they are.</p>	<p><b>Angeline Anderson</b> A careful review of Anderson's campaign website, social media, and public statements has revealed no stated plan to ensure future investments in Minnesota's public education system.</p>
<p><b>What will you do to help recruit and retain high-quality educators in our classrooms?</b></p>	
<p><b>John Huot</b> "Listen to the ones that are there now. Fix pensions and lower class size. Make sure new teachers can take care of their loans and help them advance their own education."</p>	<p><b>Angeline Anderson</b> A careful review of Anderson's campaign website, social media, and public statements has revealed no clear plan to recruit and retain educators.</p>
<p><b>How will you support efforts to lower inequitable penalties in the Teachers Retirement Association to expand retirement options?</b></p>	
<p><b>John Huot</b> "I will continue to push for this. We have tried to rewrite the tax code. It makes no sense to me why we have not done this yet."</p>	<p><b>Angeline Anderson</b> Anderson's stance on this matter is unclear and a review of Anderson's campaign website, social media, and public statements has revealed no clear plan to improve educators' pensions.</p>
<p><b>What have you done to become informed on issues relating to public education? What organizations and individuals do you go to for your information?</b></p>	
<p><b>John Huot</b> "I work very closely with my district administrators and teachers. I don't make a move without calling a teacher about education."</p>	<p><b>Angeline Anderson</b> Anderson's social media follows and shares content from several anti-public school and anti-teacher's union organizations, such as the Minnesota Parents Alliance and the Center of the American Experiment.<sup>1</sup></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><sup>1</sup> <a href="https://www.instagram.com/angelineformn/following">instagram.com/angelineformn/following</a></p>