1. Going into WMATA's FY2019 budget season, politicians, community groups, labor, and business groups have weighed in on the dedicated funding debate. If you are elected, what would you propose to provide WMATA dedicated funding, and how would you navigate the politics of the situation and unite the jurisdictions around your proposal?

**If elected I support the State of Maryland dedicating state funds to WMATA. I would have no issues justifying my position with my colleagues due to the fact MTA is funded by the state to serve the Baltimore metro area ,and it does not service the Washington DC suburbs. I would bargain my support with the Baltimore delegation to strike a deal that would make both jurisdictions happy.**

1. In the last few months, there have been several major safety concerns that have been raised publicly?

**Yes there have been major safety concerns. The maintenance of the Metro Rail has been a big issue and the safe of bus operators is another. Safe tracking, (Rail) is not working in my opinion and closing stations for an extended period of time is hurting the community.**

1. ATU Local 689 leadership and members. From operator assaults to issues with the 7000 series trains, the public has seen that WMATA management doesn't seem to be able to create a true safety culture at WMATA. How would you work with and support employees who raise safety concerns and are ignored?

 **I would use my leverage of the power of the purse to get management’s attention to deal with employee’s safety concerns that are raised with management. If management refuses to be responsive to employees ,then I would not be responsive to WMATA when budget time rolls around each year. I would solicit my colleagues support also.**

1. In addition, how would you work with labor to help tackle the larger issue of establishing a safety culture at WMATA and solving some of the recent safety issues, like operator assault, that have been brought to the forefront?

**I would support or write legislations that would address operator abuse and turn some of the actions of passengers to felonies, instead of the current misdemeanors. The woman throwing urine at the bus operator was and is unacceptable. That substance could have been a lethal substance. The punishment of the individual did not fit the crime. The lady basically got off.**

1. In the last six months, there has been a lot of discussion surrounding the possibility of the establishment of a federal control board to run WMATA. If that happened, the possibility of eliminating legally binding labor contracts would become a reality, endangering thousands of workers. What are your thoughts regarding the takeover of a federal control board and would you be open to adding a labor seat to the WMATA Board?

**I don’t support a Federal takeover of the Metro Board and I would support labor being addeda seat on the WMATA Board.**

**Bail Reform:**

1. Maryland’s highest court approved key changes to the state’s bail system, setting into motion a reform designed to keep defendants from languishing in jail before trial simply because they’re poor, do you support Bail Reform Efforts?

**Confederate Monuments and Memorials:**

1. What is your position on this matter?

**I believe the Federal government sure state out of local municipalities issues. In my opinion the Statues are offensive to people of color , based on this country’s history and should have not place in the public square or on public land that the local government has to maintain.**

1. Should there be legislation removing Confederate symbols from libraries, parks, streets, and public buildings?

**Yes.**