

# Here's My Answer to Assemblyman Oscarson's "Fake" Debate Challenge

# YES!

## However...

Dear Assemblyman Oscarson,

After refusing to debate me the first time we ran against each other in 2016, you recently invited me to debate you this time around – but only under YOUR terms and conditions...

- Your date (April 11)
- Your time (6:00 pm)
- Your venue (KPVM television)]
- Your purchase of the airtime
- Your moderator (news anchor Deanna O'Donnell)
- Your moderator's questions (with no input from the voters)
- Your staging (podium)
- Your format (mere 90 seconds to answer each question)
- Your time limit (one hour)
- Your participants (you, me and a third candidate in the race)
- Your ban on the use of laptops
- Your ban on allowing the public to attend

In response, we suggested a number of alternatives, including...

1. Multiple debates and forums in public settings throughout the district
2. A neutral, non-media moderator thoroughly familiar with issues of specific interest and importance to Republican primary voters
3. Questions posed by Republican voters in District 36
4. A more open debate without artificial time limits so important public policy issues - such as the state budget and taxation - can be discussed thoroughly

**You "rejected" each and every one of our suggestions. It's gotta be "your way or the highway."**

Most importantly, you refused to do any debates other than this one controlled, highly-scripted "fake" debate show, with your campaign aid advising us that your "schedule is busy and we do not have time to debate your candidate." So...

## Here's what we're going to do...

In order to accommodate your "busy" schedule, I have purchased the hour immediately following your originally-proposed "debate" on KPVM.

And I challenge you to face me one-on-one at that time with a conservative moderator using questions submitted by the voting public and without time constraints on answers so we can have a full and open discussion on the issues important to the voters of District 36.

Since you'll already be in the TV studio on that date and at that time, this won't interfere with your "busy" schedule doing whatever it is you think is more important than giving voters an opportunity to see the two of us go at it head-to-head so they can better decide who they want representing them in Carson City in 2019.

Now, despite this very generous accommodation and invitation I have

every expectation you will nevertheless find some excuse to once again "duck" any such real debate with me.

In which case I will use that 7:00 pm hour to review, analyze and evaluate your performance – or, more accurately, your lack of performance – in office over the last six years as a tool of the party establishment and Carson City's army of special interest lobbyists.

The panel will include me, former Assemblyman Ed Goedhart - the conservative taxpayer champion whose seat you embarrassingly filled after he retired - and Las Vegas City Councilwoman Michele Fiore, who served with you in 2015 when you broke your word and voted for the largest tax hike in Nevada history!

The discussion will be moderated by Chuck Muth, president of Citizen Outreach and a former Republican Party chairman who is also an adviser to my campaign.

**So at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, April 11th you can choose to face me, one-on-one immediately after "your" debate and defend your indefensible record, or...**

**You can again duck and run and our panel will give your performance record the "proctological exam" the voters of District 36 deserve.**

Your call, James. You know how to reach me.

**– Dennis**



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