

## **Candidate for Mecklenburg County Commission at Large – Tigress McDaniel**

**TIGRESS MCDANIEL** is a 40-year-old Democrat running for County Commissioner at Large and says she has over two decades of community, organizational and corporate leadership.

### **ON SCHOOL CHOICE:**

McDaniel supports individual choice but believes that current campuses should be improved to accommodate the school choice plan. Some schools lack sufficient heating and air conditioning systems and heavily depend on trailers to house classrooms.

### **ON MEASURES TO INCREASE SCHOOL SAFETY:**

McDaniel does not believe in arming teachers with guns but believes the number of police officers assigned to school campuses could be increased. In addition, she believes other measures such as anti-bullying standards and programs should be implemented and enforced.

### **ON MEASURES TO ADDRESS STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES:**

McDaniel believes the schools should work with parents or guardians of students in addressing their mental health issues.

### **ON POPULATION GROWTH ISSUES:**

McDaniel believes affordable housing and inadequate housing are the most pressing problems created by population growth.

### **ON MEASURES TO ADDRESS POPULATION GROWTH ISSUES:**

McDaniel believes that affordable housing should be developed throughout the county and dilapidated residences should be brought up to code.

### **ON PANTHER STADIUM FUNDING:**

McDaniel believes the issue of stadium funding should be decided by voters.

### **ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING:**

McDaniel believes housing code enforcement and economic incentive programs would increase affordable housing.

### **ON 287(G):**

McDaniel is in favor of discontinuing 287(g).

### **ON OTHER ISSUES:**

McDaniel believes the Board of Commissioners needs to address issues of equality, education, homelessness, the budget, economic revitalization and “community oneness”.

1. **Name:** Tigress Sydney Acute McDaniel

2. **Age:** 41
3. **District:** County Commissioner At Large
4. **Party Affiliation:** Democrat
5. **Political background or other civic engagement endeavors**
6. **What are your qualifications for this office?** There are no actual "qualifications" for this office aside from age and residence/citizenship. We know that incumbency is also not a qualification for this office. However, in understanding what you intend to communicate, I possess over two decades of community, organizational and corporate leadership.
7. **Do you support the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School choice plan and other options such as charter schools and magnet schools?** Whereas I am inclined to support individual choice, I think the greater focus should be on upfit of current school campuses. The schools can't accommodate the school choice plan. There are campuses without sufficient heating and air conditioning, and that still depend heavily upon trailer classrooms to manage student population.
8. **What measures do you support to increase school safety?** I do not think equipping teachers with guns is the answer. CMS has its own police force. They should increase their presence on school campuses amongst other measures like implementation and actual enforcement of anti-bullying standards and programs.
9. **What measures can Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools take to address student mental health issues?** Work with parents and/or guardians not against parents and/or guardians. The parent(s) and/or guardian(s) cannot be "separate" from the solution to address student mental health issues. Children are not generally nor automatically wards of this State.
10. **What problems do you believe that Charlotte/Mecklenburg population growth creates?** Population growth sorely qualifies necessarily as a "problem." Affordable housing and fit premises for residential developments is more concisely amongst problems created population growth related issues. There are plenty of housing options available to prospective residents, but they aren't generally affordable. If affordable, they are generally not fit premises.
11. **How can the county address those growth problems?** Implementation of affordable housing throughout Char Meck and up-fit of dilapidated residential developments.
12. **Do you support the use of County funds to build a domed stadium to guarantee that the Carolina Panthers remain in Charlotte?** I concede to the majority decision of Charlotteans. As one of your Commissioners, I am certain we could identify another viable way to fund the domed stadium without affecting taxpayers if the Panthers need or prefer it.
13. **What measures can the Board of Commissioners take to increase the stock of affordable housing in the County?** Housing code enforcement and economic incentivization programs for developers and landlords.
14. **Are you in favor of a resolution calling on the Sheriff's Department to discontinue its enforcement of federal immigration law (287(g))?** Yes. For many reasons. However, the

primary reason is that municipal officers are not qualified nor properly trained to handle the macrocosm of immigration policy and issues that cooperation with such program entails.

15. **What other issues do you believe the Board of Commissioners should address?** Equality, Education, Relationship between CMS and Parents/Guardians, Homelessness, Budget, Economic Revitalization and Community Oneness amongst many other matters.