

Letter to the *Kansas City Star*

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Residents of the Hickman Mills School District mostly missed a great opportunity to hear and question four (Sandra Sexton, Carol Graves, Luther Chandler and Alvin Brooks) out of five candidates for School Board Tuesday, March 13. Held in the theater of the Freshman Center and co-sponsored by the South Kansas City Alliance and League of Women Voters, Kansas City/Jackson, Platte and Clay Counties the candidates responded to audience questions for over an hour, on topics ranging from school security to early childhood programs with school funding, in-district residence requirements for teachers and how to realign their schools for better serving a smaller population in between.

I don't live within the Hickman Mills District but by the end of the forum, I wish I could vote for all of these impressive candidates. To a man [or woman] they presented a knowledge of the problems and a determination to improve the District, reclaim accreditation and see their students receive an excellent education and be successful in life. I encourage residents of the District to vote on April 3, giving their support to these candidates, the School Board, their children and neighborhoods.

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