

Arrogant and Condescending Liberals: Bob Simpson's Experience

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Bob Simpson [is a testament to](#) reasoned, reflective, empathetic, intelligent political leaders with integrity. Two items on his Facebook page today [see below] show how desperate and afraid the BC neoLiberal Party is going into the last 11 days of the election campaign.

They either don't show up to all-candidates meetings or when they do show, they sometimes spew critical lies/errors that make them look moronic at worst, or very poorly uninformed at best.

When they show up and lie [or incorrectly state] that the government has done something good like building thousands of new seniors' residential care beds when the party has already admitted to wildly fudging the numbers, or they put on their elitist hats to tell us to get over the BC Rail scandal, they are showing what disrespect they have for the 4+ million British Columbians who will hire them or fire them on May 12th.

What kind of person says we should just get over a scandal involved in privatizing BC Rail through a \$1 billion 999-year lease to CN? Arrogance has been a key word in NDP rhetoric for a long time now. The neo Liberals simply keep stepping in it. To quote the wildly successful BCTF campaign: "When will they learn?" The answer is they won't learn. We need to get rid of them.

And when the neo Liberals don't show up to public meetings during the campaign, it's because they've calculated that being there and suffering the brutal hits would do more damage to their dwindling re-election chances than the arrogance of not showing up at all.

It's ironic since this is the year the STV will win as people decide that it's worth changing the electoral system to get responsive politicians who won't merely ram through pet legislation because they have a tyrannical majority government, regardless of whether it's reflected in the popular vote.

This kind of anti-democratic behaviour, disrespecting citizens, helped keep the federal Conservatives from a majority government and it will kill the Liberals in BC in 11 days. Good riddance!

Bob Simpson had another interesting all candidates meeting in Miocene last night (Miocene is between 150 Mile House and Horsefly). Some excellent questions from the floor and some very strange answers from the Liberal candidate. He stated log exports have declined, said we simply need to "get over" the sale of BC Rail, and still claims the Libs built the 5000 long term care beds, despite Abbott's admission they haven't!

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Bob Simpson is very proud of our Quesnel youth. The questions the students asked at the QSS forum were a reflection of the key issues in this campaign, not just the issues involving youth. I felt the students

were listening with interest and that both the Green candidate and I gave them lots to think about. The Liberal candidate did not have the decency to show up, that's just plain disrespectful of our youth and their concerns

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