**RUBRIC FOR ASSESSING CANDIDATE DEBATE PERFORMANCES**

Remember that the following rubric only applies to a candidate’s performance during debates.

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| **CRITERIA** | **RATING** |
| focused on most pressing ISSUES – yes / no |  |
| SPECIFIC in how to address issues – yes / no |  |
| use of EVIDENCE (facts & expert opinion) to support points – appropriate / inappropriate / none used |  |
| LOGICAL use of evidence to support ideas – yes / no / none used |  |
| RESPONSES given in an organized, clear & pleasant manner – yes / somewhat / no |  |