**Round 1:**

Participation in government is a necessary component for peace.

The Nobel Peace Prize Committee ought to prefer a body of work to a courageous act.

Peace keeping should be a substantial part of United States foreign policy.

Peace happens when you are looking into the barrel of the gun.

The United Nations should pay their peace keeping bills.

Round 1b:

Peace is overrated.

Peace keeping missions should be a minimal part of the United Nation’s budget.

Peace cannot be achieved without economic equality.

United States foreign policy should focus on human rights instead of democratization.

In regards to Israel, external peace is preferable to internal peace.

**Round 2:**

The United States Federal Government should officially use the term ISIS (Islamic State of Iraq and Syria) instead of ISIL (Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant).

The Syrian Government is a terrorist group.

Syria’s sovereignty must be preserved for peace to be achieved.

In regards to Syria, diplomatic pressure is preferable to force.

**Round 2b:**

The United States Federal Government should officially recognize ISIS as a government entity.

The Iraqi Government does not represent their people.

The Turkish Government should take an active military role in the Syrian conflict.

It is time to create a Kurdish state.

The Syrian government should create a unity government with the Syrian rebels.

**Round 3:**

Microsoft CEO Nadella should step down

Now is the time to reintroduce the ERA

The White House outhg to lead by example when it comes to equal pa

Equal pay is a human rights issue

Pass the Paycheck Fairness Act

**Round 3b:**

When in conflict, women’s rights ought to take precedence over capitalism.

Obama should issue an executive order to equalize White House staff pay.

Microsoft investors should demand Nadella’s resignation.

We should honor Shirley Chisholm’s legacy,

Pay is a case by case issue.

**Round 4:**

Poverty does not exist in the United States.

The US Federal Government should be a leader in poverty reduction worldwide.

The impact of welfare frauds is insignificant compared to those who are helped.

Expand the safety net for the working poor.

The United States Federal Government should pass legislation to financially assist Americans with disabilities in poverty.

**Round 4b:**

Income inequality is the greatest predictor of poverty.

The International community should significantly change their approach to fighting poverty.

Helping impoverished people is preferable to building corporate wealth.

The “War on Poverty” helped the rich more than the poor.

The United States Federal Government should significantly expand food assistance programs.

**Round 5:**

In regards to the NFL, the court of public opinion is more accurate than a criminal court.

The US Federal Government should revoke the NFL’s tax exempt status.

The NFL should rewrite their domestic violence policy to include GLBTQ relationships.

Watching the NFL endorses domestic violence.

When it comes to Roger Goodell, hate the game, not the player.

**Round 5b:**

NFL teams should be able to sue their employees for damages caused by conduct violations in civil court.

Labeling Janay Rice a victim strips her of her agency.

Covering of NFL scandals has created more victimization than reform.

The NFL Player’s Union should be dissolved.

Sports are the wrong arena for a discussion of women’s issues.

**Round 6:**

No Child Left Behind left the most children behind.

The US Department of Education should eliminate no child left behind waivers.

Focusing on STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) is misguided.

The United States Federal Government should take significant steps to fight numeric illiteracy.

Education is the cornerstone to a free society.

**Round 6b:**

No Child Left Behind moved the education system in a positive direction.

Focusing on the Liberal Arts is misguided.

The United States Department of Education should be abolished.

The US Federal Government should take significant steps to fight low literacy rates.

Education is a privilege not a right.

**Partial:**

Protest is the best way to enact change.

The United States Federal Government should address inequality within the criminal justice system.

In the United States, individuals are judged by the color of their skin and not on the content of their character.

The United States Federal Government should enact significant immigration reform policy.

In the United States, unauthorized immigrants provide more benefit than harm.

**Quarters:**

Sanctions against Russia have been effective.

The United States Federal Government should significantly increase diplomatic relations with Russia.

The European Union should grant member status to the Ukraine.

Putin is the greatest threat to global stability.

The cold war was never over.

**Semi-Finals:**

The US Department of Education should place a tuition cap on all colleges that use the federal financial system.

College aid caps cause more harm than good.

Fiscally developed nations ought to provide a free college education to their citizens.

The US Department of Education should develop an alternative to the student loan program.

College debt is worth the lifelong reward.