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ICYMI: While Democrats Live in Alternate Reality About Wisconsin Comeback, Scott Walker Offers Positive Agenda for Future

[Madison, Wis.] – Last week, the Democrat candidates for governor gathered for their first televised debate where they conjured up a Wisconsin that most hard-working families wouldn't recognize – one that intentionally ignores all the positive things that the governor's bold reforms have accomplished.

While the Democrats play politics with Wisconsin's future, Gov. Walker [joined hard-working families and supporters at a rally](#) to continue talking about his positive vision for Wisconsin's future. The governor has called for countering the anger and hatred from the Left with optimism and organization as we work to help all Wisconsin families win the 21st century over the next four years.

Read more from the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel [here](#) or find excerpts below:

Democrats running for governor imagine a Wisconsin that doesn't exist

By Christian Schneider

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

... When a group of eight Democrats gathered for a gubernatorial debate in Milwaukee last week, they attempted to posit a Wisconsin that needed saving from Republican Gov. Scott Walker.

But after hearing their priorities, voters have to wonder: What state are they living in?

When asked whether they would cancel the state's contract with Taiwanese electronics giant Foxconn to build a \$10 billion facility in southeastern Wisconsin, every candidate except for State Superintendent of Education Tony Evers raised their hand. ...

Thus, even if the wildest progressive fantasy took place and the deal was axed in January of 2019, millions, if not billions, of dollars would be sacrificed to fulfill a campaign talking point. Yes, the

subsidy to Foxconn is steep — but much of that state support only materializes if the electronics company makes good on its promises. Put simply, the Foxconn deal is here to stay, and candidates who tell you otherwise aren't telling you the truth. ...

During the debate, Democratic candidates coupled their imaginary cut to Foxconn with another imaginary cut to the state's prison population. Every candidate on stage indicated they would support an early release program for prisoners. Former state Rep. Kelda Roys defended her program to cut the state's prison population in half. After a plea to legalize marijuana, candidate Mike McCabe said Wisconsin should "stop locking up people who don't commit a violent act or damage property." ...

It's all nonsense. According to the state Department of Corrections, the six most serious offenses (sexual offenses, murder/homicide, robbery, assault, burglary, battery) made up 80% of male state prison inmates in 2016. Only 1.6% of prison inmates were there for simple possession of illegal drugs — and you can bet very few of them were in for marijuana. Instead of citing a fictional pothead behind bars, Democrats should have to explain how many of the 80% of more serious offenders they would release. ...

Of course, candidates rarely catapult themselves into office by promising "a more robust status quo." But manufacturing a fictional Wisconsin that, coincidentally, only they have the brains and wherewithal to fix rings hollow. In fact, as a whole, the real Wisconsin is running along just fine. The Democrats should visit it sometime.

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