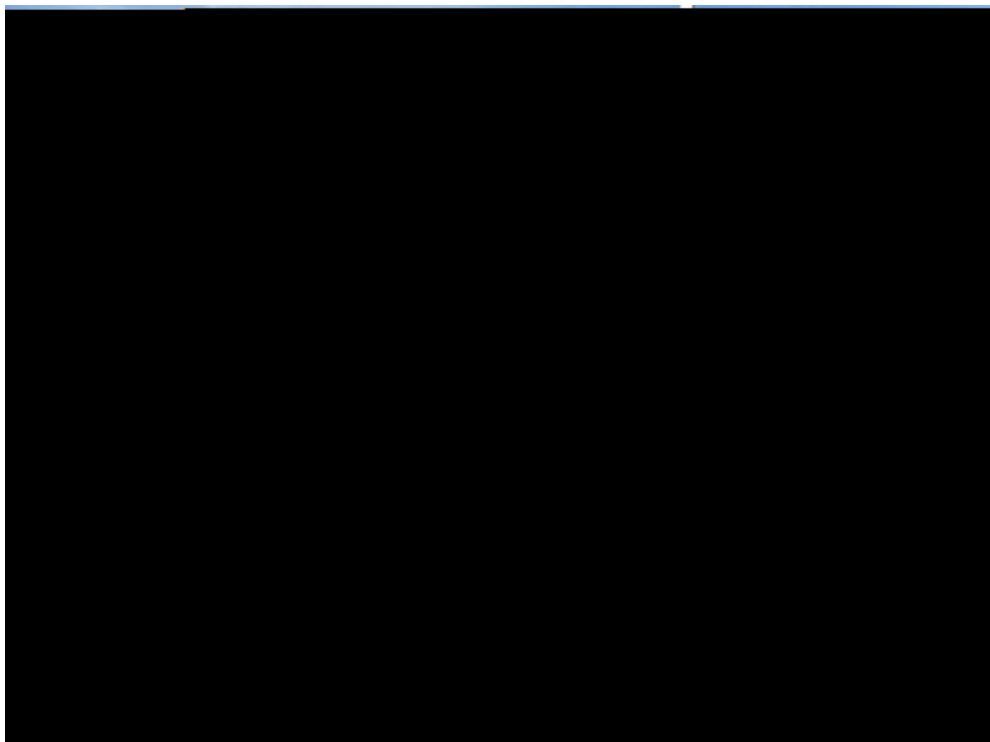


# The 'outcasts' debate for N.J. governor was certainly entertaining



GOP candidates for governor Joseph Rullo (left) and Steve Rogers (center left) debated Democratic Councilman Mark Zinna (D Tenafly) and Democratic candidate Bill Brennan on Tuesday outside Stockton University's campus center. May 9, 2017. (Claude Brodesser Akner | NJ Advance Media)

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**GALLOWAY** Four Democratic and Republican candidates who fell short of the legal requirements for the first New Jersey governor primary debate held their own "outcasts" debate Tuesday evening, united in their disdain for Democratic front runner [Phil Murphy](#).

One even traded barbs with Murphy's supporters.

"The goal is to make a point, not to get arrested," said [Bill Brennan](#), one of the two Democrats debating outside the Stockton University campus center, where three police cars and even bomb sniffing dogs milled about. "Though it would have been nice to get the free publicity."

The only confrontation was between Democratic activist Brennan and the two dozen Murphy supporters, who began chanting their candidate's name as Brennan tried to answer a question about gun control.

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