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Dear Legislative Council members:

A Legislative Council meeting is proposed for **Tuesday**, **April 21 at 10:30 a.m. in Room 137** and a tentative agenda is attached. The main agenda item is appointments to interstate organizations. We should be able to take care of business in an hour.

If each caucus could provide me with their recommendations for interstate (CSG, NCSL) appointments, I will prepare a chart for the Legislative Council. Attached is a form that you can use to submit your recommendations. Statutorily, the Council makes the appointments based on your recommendations.

Also, please let me know who from your caucus is interested in attending the PNWER meeting at Big Sky in July. There will be a discussion for the Council to advise who to send using the money that the Legislative Council approved for this purpose (\$24,000 total, approx. \$1400 per 17 legislators). These would be in addition to the new PNWER appointees and may include the former PNWER appointees as you decide.

I will provide information on the balances of the interstate and interim activities budgets that can help make your opportunities for legislators in your caucuses participate in PNWER, NCSL, and CSG this summer if we get registrations and air fare paid before fiscal year end. Enclosed is a form that you can use for a legislator who requests participation. I will also post one on the Council's website.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, please let me know if you have questions or concerns,

Susan B. Fox