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Date: 1/22/2016 1:26:45 PM  
Subject: Re: Foster Parent Appreciation Conference

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No. Just talked to Austin about this. I never did that, and Marilyn actually texted me last night to give me the date and asked what her availability would be. I can't imagine why Susan thinks we confirmed this.

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On Jan 22, 2016, at 1:22 PM, Pisarik, Holly <[HollyPisarik@gov.sc.gov](mailto:HollyPisarik@gov.sc.gov)> wrote:

Did we confirm that the governor would attend the banquet?

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From: "Smith, Austin" <[AustinSmith@gov.sc.gov](mailto:AustinSmith@gov.sc.gov)>  
Date: January 22, 2016 at 12:59:50 PM EST  
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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Alford, Susan" <[Susan.Alford@dss.sc.gov](mailto:Susan.Alford@dss.sc.gov)>  
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Subject: Foster Parent Appreciation Conference

Austin,

The SC Foster Parent Association Conference is being held on April 15-16, 2016, at the Embassy Suites(670 Verdae Boulevard) in Greenville,SC.. We told Carl Brown(based on confirmation from the Governor's PR Office) that the Governor would attend the banquet, which occurs on April 15 and will last from 7-9pm. The intention was for her to issue the Welcome and, if possible, be there for the presentation of the Foster Parent of the Year award They also give out a car to the foster child of the year.

If there is any way for the Governor to make an in-person appearance this year, it would mean a great deal to our foster parent recruitment campaign efforts.

Thanks,

Susan Alford

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