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Date: 4/19/2016 2:55:47 PM
Subject: RE: Appointments Thursday, April 14th

Are you good with me forwarding this email to Chairman Martin for meeting her updates?
Hearing he might be able to bring her up on Thursday.
KV

From: Smith, Austin
Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2016 12:48 PM
To: Barden, Susan
Cc: Veldran, Katherine; Pisarik, Holly
Subject: RE: Appointments Thursday, April 14th

Thanks Susan. I'm looping in Veldran in re your question about when it will be taken up.

From: Barden, Susan
Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2016 9:24 AM
To: Smith, Austin
Subject: RE: Appointments Thursday, April 14th

Austin—

I have been able to sit down/talk with every senator but three: my understanding that the three who plan to speak against me are Sabb, Allen, and Bright Matthews. I spoke to Bright Matthews' paralegal yesterday at 9:15 am and offered to drive to Walterboro yesterday for even just 5 minutes with Bright Matthews, but MBM never called back. I had appeals, but Mike Campbell was going to sit in for me to enable me to make the drive. It did not happen.

Karl Allen is hostile towards me but I'll try again today.

I will try Sabb again too. He is hostile.

Don't know where Katrina Shealy is, but spoke to her Thursday and am dropping a thank you note off (for speaking to me in the lobby).

Gerald Malloy is working hard for me even though he cannot vote; he is speaking the truth about me, for which I am very grateful. I've gotten "commitments" from Scott, Jackson, Nicholson, and Johnson. I think Kent Williams is now OK with me. After a 30 minute conversation, Kimpson said he accepted what I said at face value and would not block my reappointment. However, he hinted that there would be a motion to carry over.

Everyone else to my knowledge is OK with me; I have talked to every senator personally except for Sabb. The Allen and Bright Matthews encounters were brief and not helpful. My letter to Bright Matthews explaining how I was willing to drive to Walterboro to see her may or may not help.

Because nothing else "stuck" in the subcommittee/committee, the racism lies are largely what remain. The Commission's "tracking" system (whereby only hearings transcribed are "counted") allows Hood & Co. to say I don't work. To give you an idea: I had 4 hearings on Friday (1 of which was not on the record). On Friday night, I reviewed the evidence for one and wrote the decision. On Saturday, I did the same for the 2nd one. I started the 3rd one on Sunday, but had to review my appeals for Monday. I also signed fee petitions last night for an hour.

BTW, all the other senators have been very positive.

Hope this is what you're looking for. Do you know if this is being taken up today?

Thanks--

Susan

From: Smith, Austin
Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2016 12:04 AM
To: Love, Kristi; Barden, Susan
Subject: Re: Appointments Thursday, April 14th

Susan,

Your messages last week were helpful. Can you compile them in an update for the Governor tomorrow? We essentially need a comprehensive list of all Senators and where you stand with each.

Thanks,

Austin

On Apr 12, 2016, at 6:33 PM, Love, Kristi <klove@wcc.sc.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon all! I apologize for just now getting the write-up to you.

Senator Cleary

Spoke with Debra. 9:45 Wednesday meeting.

Senator Fair

Spoke with Chapel (sp?). 10:30 Wednesday. She will check with Senator Fair to confirm.

Senator Jackson

Spoke with Ashley. She will speak with Senator Jackson and call me back.

Senator Nicholson

Spoke with Amy. She says Cathy schedules. Amy will have her call me.

Senator Reese

Spoke with Cathy. Set a tentative 11:30 Wednesday meeting but he has a 10:30 meeting and she doesn't know exactly how long it will last.

Senator Scott

Spoke with Stephanie. 11:20 Thursday meeting.

Senator Setzler

Spoke with Alisa. Senator Setzler has Budget meetings but she suggests that Commissioner Barden come by and say hello. I am to call Alisa in the morning to see if she has an idea when he might be available.

Senator Williams

Spoke with Debbie. She will check with Senator Williams and call back.

Please let me know if I can help further.

Thanks,

Kristi

From: Pisarik, Holly
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2016 4:29 PM
To: Love, Kristi
Cc: Smith, Austin; Veldran, Katherine
Subject: RE: Appointments Thursday, April 14th

[Any updates on meetings?](#)

From: Love, Kristi
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2016 3:21 PM
To: Pisarik, Holly
Cc: Smith, Austin; Veldran, Katherine
Subject: RE: Appointments Thursday, April 14th

[Senator Cleary 9:45 Wednesday](#)

From: Love, Kristi
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2016 2:17 PM
To: Pisarik, Holly
Cc: Smith, Austin; Veldran, Katherine
Subject: RE: Appointments Thursday, April 14th

[Thank you Holly \(et al\).](#)

[I have nothing further to report at this point other than Louise called from Senator Courson's office to advise that he would be glad to meet with her \(Commissioner Barden\) and asks that she send him a note](#)

while he is in Session Wednesday or Thursday.

I'm happy to try to schedule meetings with the Senators listed below.

Thanks,
Kristi

From: Pisarik, Holly
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2016 1:59 PM
To: Love, Kristi
Cc: Smith, Austin; Veldran, Katherine
Subject: FW: Appointments Thursday, April 14th

Hi Kristi,

Thanks for your help with Commissioner Barden's confirmation. So far, I have that you've scheduled meetings with Senators Alexander, Cromer, Hayes, and Verdin. And, that you've reached out to schedule meetings with Senators Bright, Bryant, Corbin, Courson, Davis, Grooms, Leatherman, S. Martin, and Peeler. Any word on scheduled meetings from these guys? We will try to follow up from our office to help get some of these meetings scheduled.

Can you also contact the staff of the following senators to schedule meetings for Wednesday or Thursday:

Campbell
Campsen
Cleary
Coleman
Fair
Jackson
Lourie
Matthews
Nicholson
Reese
Scott
Setzler
Shealy
Sheheen
Williams

Thanks again for your help!

Holly

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From: Smith, Austin
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2016 10:56 AM
To: Veldran, Katherine; Pisarik, Holly

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Love, Kristi" <klove@wcc.sc.gov>
Date: April 11, 2016 at 10:54:30 AM EDT
To: "Smith, Austin" <AustinSmith@gov.sc.gov>
Cc: "Barden, Susan" <sbarden@wcc.sc.gov>
Subject: RE: Appointments Thursday, April 14th
Good morning.

Senator Leatherman

Spoke with Dianne (sp?). She says that it is Budget Week and she could not make any appointments at this point but she took my name and number and Commissioner Barden (Susan's) cell number and said that she would put a note on her calendar and if she (Dianne) saw an opportunity to get her (Susan) in, that she would call. She did ask the question that wouldn't Susan be able to get over there fairly quickly.

Senator Peeler

Spoke with Amy. She says that since Budget Week starts this week, that the best way to reach him is to catch him in the hallway or the house in Chamber.

Senator Alexander

Spoke with Carolyn Yeomans. She says for Commissioner Barden (Susan) to show up at 9:25 Wednesday and she will do her best to get her in.

Senator Courson

Spoke with Louise. She says she will speak with Senator Courson and get back with me. She took my name and number.

Please let me know how I can help further.

Thanks,
Kristi

From: Smith, Austin
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2016 11:41 AM
To: Love, Kristi
Cc: Barden, Susan
Subject: RE: Appointments Thursday, April 14th

Kristi,

Thanks for all your work on this. Next, can you try Senators Leatherman, Peeler, Alexander, and Courson for Wednesday or Thursday?

Best,

Austin

From: Love, Kristi
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2016 11:35 AM
To: Smith, Austin
Cc: Barden, Susan
Subject: Appointments Thursday, April 14th

Good morning.

Senator Bennett

Spoke with Margaret – she says that Senator Bennett conveys that she has his support and he does not need to meet with her.

Senators Bright and Davis

Spoke with Rebecca – she says that she has not yet received Committee schedules and asks that I call her back on Monday

Senator Bryant

Spoke with Debbie Parker – she suggested that Commissioner Barden e-mail Senator Bryant directly and offered the e-mail address. I have informed Commissioner Barden.

Senator Cromer

Spoke with Amy Hendrix – 9:30 appointment

Senators Corbin and Martin

Spoke with Pat Hamby (sp?) – she says that she can ask and requested Commissioner Barden's cell number (which I gave her). She says that Commissioner Barden can speak with them off the floor.

Senator Grooms

Spoke with Aryn Baxa – she asked that I send her an e-mail, which I did.

Senator Hayes

Spoke with Kitt (sp?) Maroney – she says that Senator Grooms will be in Session and that Commissioner Barden should send a note to him on the Senate floor at 11:30.

Senator Malloy

Spoke with Vicki Walker – she says that he may have to recuse himself but she will check with him and get back to us.

Senator Verdin

Spoke with Emma. 10:30 appointment – but will confirm (may need to move to 10:45)

Please let me know if I can help further.

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