

"Hello Huskers for Higher Education Volunteers! Whether you are a new member to our network or have been a member in the past, I want to thank you again for your service to our University and the Alumni Association. As the legislative liaison for the Lincoln campus, I can assure you that there is nothing more valuable than contact from our alumni to our elected representatives.

I usually resist sending several links in e:mails, although with this first communication I thought it was important to send you the basics that you will use and should be of the most interest. This include:

The home page for the Nebraska Unicameral - <http://nebraskalegislature.gov/>

A current roster of senators - http://nebraskalegislature.gov/pdf/senators/2010_roster.pdf

A roster of committee membership by senators - http://nebraskalegislature.gov/pdf/committees/2010_roster.pdf

The 2010 legislative calendar - <http://nebraskalegislature.gov/pdf/session/calendar.pdf>

While normally a 60 day session is relatively uneventful, this year is most likely even more so due to our state's financial situation. That being said, there will be a handful of bills introduced that will be of interest to the University.

In an attempt to keep you informed, I hope to send you regular updates on policy issues that affect the University. On occasion, I will send you an e:mail, explaining how a certain measure impacts the University, and request that you contact your senator if you choose. Unfortunately the unpredictability and timing of debate more often than not makes those communications immediate requesting very quick attention if possible.

I'm pleased to say that in conjunction with the Alumni Association, we have attempted to make improvements to our website as well as enhanced efforts at recruiting new members and general awareness of our program. If you should ever have additional suggestions, please don't hesitate to e:mail. Logan Waite and Shelley Zaborowski with the Alumni Association assist me in our efforts and are extremely responsive and enthusiastic about this program.

On behalf of the Chancellor, thank you again for your interest and participation! I will be in touch!"

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