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DEE NAVARRO - PRESCOTT USD
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DEAR DEE:

The Board of Directors of the Arizona School Boards Association at their last meeting approved my recommendation that you be re-appointed as a delegate to the National School Boards Assn's 37th Annual Federal Relations Network Conference (FRN) Jan. 31-Feb. 2, 2010, in Washington, D.C.

As an official Delegate, ASBA will pay your registration fee for the Conference and anticipates that your District's governing board will recognize the importance of your participation and pay your other expenses. ASBA and the local school districts need representation in your Congressional District! ASBA will set up the appointment for your team to meet with your Congressman.

The Federal Relations Network has been the backbone of the National School Boards Association's lobbying efforts on Capitol Hill for the last 30 years. The impact locally elected governing board members have on their congressmen who serve part of the same constituency is incalculable. **FRN members work throughout the year** – calling, faxing, e-mailing, writing and visiting – to develop strong relationships with federal legislators. NSBA's Office of Advocacy through Action Updates keeps you apprised of current and proposed federal legislation and regulations that affect education. You stand on the front line of education and are able to tell your members of Congress what will or will not work in local districts. NSBA asks you respond to "Calls to Action" that are sent out periodically. In addition, there will be a breakout session as part of the ASBA Annual Conference, Thursday, December 10, from 2:30-3:30, at the Biltmore Conference Center in Phoenix. The room will be listed in your conference brochure. Please be present at this important information and coordination meeting.

The FRN registration pamphlet will not be ready until later this month. The pamphlets come directly to ASBA and will be sent out to the Delegates as soon as they are received. **ASBA will pay the registration fee and your Board Secretary need only indicate in the registration space that ASBA will be remitting payment.**

Please contact Panfilo H. Contreras, 602.254.1100, (toll free 800.238.4701) or via e-mail, pcontreras@azsba.org if you have any questions. I look forward to your attendance at the ASBA Annual Conference at the Biltmore Conference Center in December and at the 2010 Federal Relations Network Conference in Washington D.C. in February. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Debbie King, ASBA President-Elect
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Cc: KEVIN KAPP, Superintendent

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