



# Fly-In

Washington DC

September 11, 2019



# Welcome and Introductions

- Round-the-room introductions
- Thank you sponsors!



# Agenda

- Wednesday, September 11 (see program agenda)
  - AM: FAA Roundtable
  - Luncheon with congressional staff and government affairs reps
  - PM
    - Briefings from the administration, STEM coalition, Choose Aerospace workshop
    - Wrap-up and hill meeting preparation
  - 5:30 pm: Dinner @ Bugsy's
- Thursday, September 12—Capitol Hill in DC
  - 8:00 am: Bus Departs
  - 8:30 am – 4:00 pm: Congressional meetings
  - 4:00 pm: Reception at Tortilla Coast
- Friday, September 13 8:00 am: Board Meeting at HAI (all welcome)



# Materials

- Handout materials
  - Program
  - Congressional Directories
  - U.S. Capitol and Metro maps
  - Pipeline Reports
  - FAA roundtable agenda
- Congressional Leave Behinds (attendees to create packets)
  - Legislative priorities (1 summary, 3 stand-alones)
  - Direct bill
  - Part 147 coalition comments
  - Economic impact one-pager



# FAA Reauthorization Bill, H.R. 302, Title VI— Aviation Workforce

- Subtitle A, Youth in Aviation, directs the FAA to establish Youth Access to American Jobs in Aviation Task Force to encourage aviation-related course work and career pathways.
- Subtitle B, Women in Aviation, directs the FAA to create a Women in Aviation Advisory Board and make recommendations to enhance training, mentorship, education and outreach programs exclusive to women
- Subtitle C, Future of Aviation Workforce—
  - Authorizes \$5M in grants
  - Conduct studies on occupational classification, regulatory impacts (including part 147) and training program funding
  - Promulgate part 147 final rule within six months, and align with the mechanic ACS
  - Directs FAA to develop guidance or model curricula for AMTS, to include avionics and troubleshooting, and revise it every two years thereafter



# Legislative Priorities (see issues page)

- Update to part 147 (see separate one-pager)
  - Direct rule sponsored by Senator Inhofe (bill is in draft)
  - Asking for co-sponsorship of Senate version
  - Asking for sponsorship of a House companion bill
  - Targeting members of the aviation subcommittees (see congressional directory)
- Grant program funding (see separate one-pager)
  - The FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018 (Public Law 115-254) created two new grant programs to recruit and train the next generation of aerospace workers and pilots.
  - Urge congressional leaders to fully fund the \$10 million authorized for these programs as part of the fiscal year (FY) 2020 appropriations process.
- Oppose threats to private, educational institutions (see separate one-pager)
  - Masked rhetorically as a student protection aid, the bill threatens a vital source of aviation technicians, limiting proprietary schools from serving students and veterans
  - Urge opposition to the Protect Students Act of 2019 (S.867), still in committee



# FAA Roundtable

- FAA overview and update
- Part 147 update
- Accreditation overview: “The Triad in Higher Education”—Joel English, Aviation Institute of Maintenance
- Dual Enrollment and Additional Fixed Locations (see ATEC letter to R. Domingo dated Sept. 6, 2019)
- Testing standards (outcomes-based approach)—Larry West
- Internships: obtaining credit for AMTS curriculum—Crystal Maguire
- ODA for testing—Jay Kitchens
- Missed Materials and “Makeup Time”—Crystal Maguire
- Open Discussion





# Lunch and Legislative Briefing

12:00 to 1:30 PM





# Connecting the Dots: Federal Initiatives in Career Technical Education

2:00 to 3:00 PM



# Choose Aerospace Workshop

3:00 to 4:00 PM



# Wrap Up & Congressional Meeting Prep

- Be concise – meeting may only last 10 or 15 minutes
- Dumb it down – don't use acronyms and industry jargon
- Leave behind information
- Focus on introducing your institution, educating the member/staffer on the industry and a few items of concern to industry in general or your institution specifically
- Invite staffer and congressional leader to tour your facility
- Send follow up “thank you” email, include invitation to visit facility
- Don't talk fundraisers or contributions



# Congressional Office Structure

- Member of Congress (Representative or Senator)
- Chief of staff is the political point person
- Legislative director leads committee assignments
- Legislative assistants are assigned specific issues
- Legislative correspondents draft constituent letters
- Staff assistants organize tours, answer phones
- Scheduler is the lawmaker's executive assistant



# Hill Meeting Logistics

- Capitol Hill Lunch Options
  - Capitol Café (lower level of Capitol Visitors Center)
  - Longworth Cafeteria (House side)
  - Dirksen Cafeteria (Senate side)
  - Other off-campus options in handout
- Down time?
  - Drop in and leave behind
  - Capitol tours on the lower level of the visitors center
    - Book online one day in advance at [www.visitthecapitol.gov/plan-visit/book-tour-capitol](http://www.visitthecapitol.gov/plan-visit/book-tour-capitol)
    - Same-day passes as available
  - Library of Congress (tunnel from Visitor's Center)



# It's HOT: Here's some tips

- Ask for an escort to your next meeting, especially if going from one side of Capitol Hill to the other (use the tunnel)
- Tortilla Coast from 4 to 5:30 PM (House side, C street exit from Cannon)
- On your own to get back (Metro, Uber, cab)





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