Aerospace States Association update for the Alabama Space Authority

Chris Crumbly
Executive Director, Von Braun Center for Science & Innovation
Interim Vice-Chair, ASA Alabama Chapter
June 28, 2018
ASA is an organization of state Lieutenant Governors, Governor appointed delegates and associate members from the aerospace industry, academia, and non-profit organizations. ASA represents states interests in federal aerospace and aviation policy development.

- 13 Chapters across the country
  (AL, AZ, CA, CO, GA, HI, LA, MD, NV, NM, PA, UT, VA)

- ASA serves as the voice of the states in the Aerospace Industry

- Chaired by Lt. Governor Rebecca Kleefisch of Wisconsin
Events

• Annual Aerospace Days in the State Capitols

• National Meeting is in Milwaukee, Wisconsin July 24-27, 2018

• Moving to Huntsville, AL in 2019!

• Supporting the Legislators Space Camp Experience
Planned and Upcoming

• Partner with Alabama Space Authority
  – Hosting events
    • Business Roundtables with Alabama Leadership
      – Support the Governor and Mr. Hickam as representatives to the National Space Council
      – Provide support to the various subcommittees of the Users Advisory Group
    • Road Shows and tours to Alabama aerospace industry
  – Manuvation Workshop
    • Planned for October 22, 2018—A part of Space Week in Huntsville
    • Industry 4.0
    • Advanced Manufacturing
    • Supported by the Intelligent Manufacturing Systems International organization
  – As a nonprofit partner, ASA-Alabama is able to:
    • Plan and execute large events
    • Administer donations and sponsorships
    • Advocate and support STEM activities such as the Alabama Space Grant Consortium Smallsat initiative
“Wherever money flows, political support is also needed. The support and advocacy of the president and vice president are critical; however, Congress controls the purse and must also be on board. To ensure Congress understands and supports the vision, it would be prudent to ask the **Aerospace States Association**, headed by state lieutenant governors, to evaluate the potential economic benefits of spaceplanes and hypersonic flight.”

Newt Gingrich, former Speaker of the House
As quoted in Aviation Week and Space Technology