

Education & Workforce Work Group
First Meeting

November 5, 2015

The George Washington University

Chairs Present:

Tom Dingus, Virginia Tech Transportation Institute

Members Present:

Steve Weidner, National Air Traffic Controllers Association

David Hamrick, The MITRE Corporation

Jim Hughes, Newport News Shipbuilding

Guests in Attendance:

Amy Harris, Office of the Secretary of Education

Grindly Johnson, Office of the Secretary of Transportation

Ronique Day, Office of the Secretary of Transportation

Greg Richards, Office of the Attorney General

Jonathan Selby, Office of the Secretary of Technology

Minutes:

11:58: Convene

Tom Dingus - Include the scope of the Work Group in the beginning of the Education & Workforce presentation. Need to generate a sample list of small and large technology companies within the Commonwealth.

Hughes – What are the big technology company’s gaps in this industry and what capital incentives may assist in filling those gaps? What are the education gaps that currently exist in Virginia’s educational system?

Establish public/private relations allowing students to work on industry initiatives while allowing the schools to conduct research initiatives.

Action Items:

Develop documentation of existing educational grants that could be utilized.

Raising public awareness throughout the educational systems on Unmanned Systems

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Develop documentation of all UMS companies throughout the Commonwealth to start addressing their gaps

Produce and send out a survey to personnel that attend UMS Commission meetings to gather feedback of existing gaps and valuable input. Feedback will produce good recommendations of what gaps need to be filled and possible suggestions.

12:20pm Adjourn