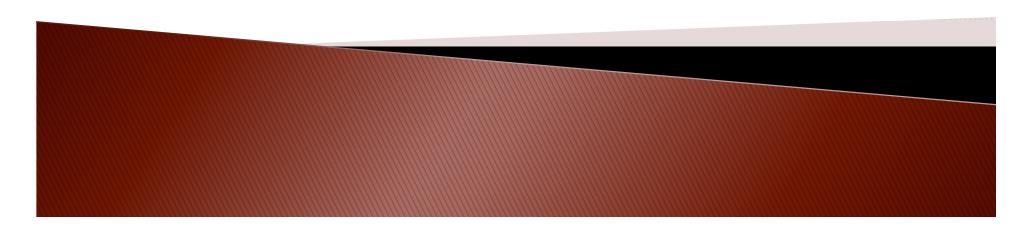


Proposal for Airframe Manufacturing Technology Baccalaureate Degree Maria Clinton and Dr. Karen Cowell December 8, 2014



Background: SB 850 (Block)

- Signed by Gov. Brown on Sept 28, 2014
- Allows 15 pilot projects for baccalaureate degrees at California community colleges
- Process for selection is competitive
- Degrees offered by community colleges cannot duplicate any degree offered by the CSU's or UC's



AVC Proposal for BS Degree

- Fit college mission
- Meet industry and student demand
- Meet ACCJC accreditation standards
- Build on existing infrastructure, curricula, resources, industry partnerships, and faculty



Design of Proposed Curriculum

- Builds on the aircraft fabrication program
- Adds upper division and general education comparable to CSU requirements
- Prepares graduates for positions in aviation leadership: Shop foreman, lead technician, director of manufacturing



Industry & Student Support

- The Spaceship Company (25 graduates)
- Lockheed Martin Corp.
- Northrop Grumman Corp. (potential of 100 employees would be interested)
- AVC students in aircraft fabrication, airframe & powerplant, and electronics: 183 of 186 expressed interest



Student Comments & Concerns

- Accreditation of the program
- Industry acceptance
- Decreased cost (tuition, fees, travel, time)
- Enhancement of career opportunities
- Builds on reputation of existing aviation programs



Timeline in Brief

- December 19, 2014: Submit proposal
- January 21, 2015: Chancellor's Office notifies programs that are selected
- March 16, 2015: Funding model submitted to Board of Governors
- > 2017-2018: Program begins no later
- June 30, 2023: Pilot programs end

