Utah Advanced Materials and Manufacturing Initiative
WHAT ARE WE DOING?
Assembling/Writing a Proposal to the Dept. of Commerce for Designation as a “Manufacturing Community”

• We were awarded a planning grant to do this.

• Previous Acting Sect. of Commerce as very supportive of the ideas put forth in the planning grant

• Continuation of ideas started during the Huntsman Administartion
BOARD EXPECTATIONS

Review/Refinement/Endorsement

• Is the overall idea worthwhile?

• Is so, are there refinements that make even more so?

• Be ready to write letters of support for either the whole proposal and/or sections you/your company is really enthused about.
IF SUCCESSFUL

• Designated a “Manufacturing Community”

• Dept. of Commerce liaison

• Liaison will work with us to place our grant components into specific grants or opportunities

• Preference or exclusive programs such as a $25M challenge grant from Economic Development Administration
PLANNING GRANT

• Elements and Leads
  • Workforce Development - Karen Gunn
  • Innovation - Ted McAleer
    • Innovation Centers - Ned Weinshenker
  • Access to Capital - Jeremy Neilson
  • Economic Ecosystem (Infrastructure) - Jeff Edwards
  • Market Expansion - Vincent Mikolay