**STEM Conference**

**September 20, 2013**

**8:00 am – 2:00 pm
Multi-Purpose Room - Perkins Student Center**

**Agenda**

8:00 am Registration and continental breakfast

8:30 am Welcome

 Dr. Keith Hillkirk, Chancellor, Penn State Berks

8:40 am Keynote Presentation

 Dr. Thomas Emrick, Executive Director, Smithsonian Science Education Center

9:40 am Panel Presentation of Berks County Education Leaders

 Moderator: Dr. Solomon Lausch

 Members: Dr. Rudy Ruth, Superintendent, Wilson School District

 Dr. Robert Pleis, Superintendent, Twin Valley School District

Dr. Robert Lees, Administrative Director, Berks Career and Technology Center

10:30 am Break

11:00 am Robots as Teaching Tools

Michael Robinson, Ph.D. candidate in Mechanical Engineering, Penn State University

11:45 am Discussion groups of Industry Leaders and Educators

12:30 pm Lunch

1:30 pm Participants convene for review of the day and discussion of next steps

2:00 pm Conference Conclusion

 Optional tours of Gaige Technology and Business Innovation Building

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