Digital Learning, Digital Teaching Agenda

Thursday, October 4, 2012

12 noon  Shuttle to Newark from The Element Hotel, Times Square West
311 West 39th Street, New York, NY 10018

1:00 pm  Lunch at Rio Rodizio
1034 McCarter Highway, Newark NJ 07102

2:15  Introduction to Merit Prep Newark – A Blended Learning Charter School
909 Broad Street, Newark, NJ 07102
Ben Rayer    Touchstone Education, Inc.
Joan Massey   Merit Prep Newark

2:30  Tour

2:45  Student Panel
TBA  6th Grade, Merit Prep
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3:15  Teacher Panel
Benjamin Conant  Merit Prep Newark

3:45  Q & A
Ben Rayer    Touchstone Education, Inc.

4:00  Shuttle returns to Hotel
Hotel Guests: Check out drinks and hors d’oeuvres in the hotel lobby begin at 5:30.

6:30  Dinner: Il Punto Ristorante
507 9th Ave, New York, NY 10018 (private room)

8:30  Recess for the evening
Hotel Guests: The free breakfast off the lobby starts at 6:30 am, and may be more substantial than ours.

8:30 am  Breakfast & Opening Remarks
Liz Willen, Hechinger Institute & Michael Horn, Innosight Institute

9:00  Practitioners: More Blended Learning in the Trenches
Moderated by Michael Horn

Robert Sommers  Carpe Diem Learning Systems
Stephen Mauney  Mooresville (N.C.) Graded School District
Mike Kerr  KIPP Empower Academy (Los Angeles)
Stacey Gillett  Office of Innovation, NYC Dept of Ed.

10:30  Competency-based Learning: What is it and why it matters
Moderated by Susan Patrick, iNACOL

Akili Moses Israel  Diploma Plus
Paul Leather  New Hampshire Department of Education
Steve Kossakoski  Virtual Learning Academy

11:30  What’s holding us back? Barriers in policy
Moderated by Michael Horn

Susan Patrick  International Association for K-12 Online Learning
Bob Wise  Former West Virginia Governor

12:20  Lunch

12:30  Lunch Panel: What will schools of the future look like?
Moderated by Greg Toppo, USA Today

Harold Levy  Palm Ventures
Jeff Robin  High Tech High School (San Diego)
Lisa Nielson  Author/Blogger

1:30pm  Closing Remarks and Evaluations
Michael Horn, Innosight Institute & Liz Willen, Hechinger Institute

2:00  Adjourn