



**BERKS AGRICULTURAL
RESOURCE NETWORK**

Framework for the Farm & Food Industries

MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2016 @ 6:30 PM TO 8:30 PM

**VIRGINVILLE GRANGE HALL
456 MAIN STREET
VIRGINVILLE, PA 19564**

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| I. | Welcome | Larry Gelsinger, President |
| II. | American Pledge of Allegiance | |
| III. | Minutes of September 27, 2016 Board Meeting | Tammy Bartsch, Secretary |
| IV. | Treasurer's Report | Wm. Hughes |
| V. | Committees' General Announcements | |
| | A. Update - 2016 BARN Farm Tour & Coupon Drawing | Roger Bowman/Ted Teaford |
| | B. Update - 2017 BARN Career Fair | Carolyn Gunster |
| | C. Update - 2017 BARN Bountiful Berks Banquet | Carl Brown |
| VI. | Old Business | |
| | A. Update – Drone demonstration at a future BARN meeting | David Thun |
| | B. Update – BARN at Reading's Holiday Parade | Lucine Sihelnik |
| | C. Update – BARN at Reading Royals Ag Night | T. Hildebrand |
| | D. Update - 2017 BARN Tour Region | T. Hildebrand |
| VII. | New Business | |
| | A. 2017 BARN Meeting calendar | L. Gelsinger |
| | B. 2017 National Ag Day Sponsorship Request - Dept. of Ag | T. Hildebrand |
| | C. 2017 BARN Annual Meeting location | T. Hildebrand |
| VIII. | Other Items – B.A.R.N. Members Comments/Questions | |
| IX. | Adjournment of BARN Business meeting | |

Guest Speakers:

- A. 2016 B.A.R.N. Farm Tour Host Site Owners - Farm Tour Feedback; and,

- B. A representative from PA Friends of Agriculture Foundation presenting “Where food comes from” K-2 program

B.A.R.N. Board Members

1. Tammy Bartsch
2. Ray Davis
3. Jarod Fisher
4. Larry Gelsinger
5. Carolyn Gunster
6. Lloyd Hopkins
7. Bill Hughes
8. Darvin Levengood
9. Ted Noble
10. Gary Rothermel
11. Lucine Sihelnik
12. Keith Silfee
13. Ted Teaford
14. David Thun
15. Travis Werley

B.A.R.N. Board Members – Ex officio

1. Carl Brown
2. Chris Hartman
3. Bill Zollers

2017 B.A.R.N. Tentative Meeting and Event Dates:

1. Saturday, January 7, 2017 - Reading Royals Ag Night
2. Tuesday, January 24, 2017 – B.A.R.N. Meeting
3. Friday, February 24, 2017 - Deadline for 2017 Career Fair Exhibitor Registration
4. Friday, March 17, 2017 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM – B.A.R.N. Career Fair
5. Thursday March 23, 2017 – B.A.R.N. Annual Meeting
6. Tuesday, May 23, 2017 – B.A.R.N. Meeting
7. Tuesday, July 25, 2017 – B.A.R.N. Meeting
8. Tuesday, September 26, 2017 – B.A.R.N. Meeting
9. Thursday, August 31, 2017 - Deadline for 2017 Farm Tour Host Farm Site Questionnaires and Sponsorships and Advertisers
10. Saturday, October 14, 2017 - 10th Annual B.A.R.N. Farm Tour
11. Friday, October 27, 2017 – B.A.R.N. Bountiful Berks Banquet at the Crowne Plaza Hotel
12. Tuesday, November 28, 2017 – B.A.R.N. Meeting