



**BERKS AGRICULTURAL
RESOURCE NETWORK**

Framework for the Farm & Food Industries

MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017 @ NOON TO 2:00 PM

AT THE

BERKS PACKING COMPANY

530 RIVERFRONT DRIVE, READING, PA 19602

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| I. | Welcome | Larry Gelsinger, President |
| II. | American Pledge of Allegiance | |
| III. | Minutes of January 24, 2017 Board Meeting | Tammy Bartsch, Secretary |
| IV. | Treasurer's Report | Wm. Hughes |
| | A. Audit Report | |
| V. | Committees' General Announcements | |
| | A. Update – 2017 BARN Career Fair | Carolyn Gunster |
| | B. Update - 2017 BARN Bountiful Berks Banquet | Carl Brown |
| VI. | Old Business | |
| | A. 2017 National Ag Day Celebration & Open House | T. Hildebrand |
| | B. PA Farm Bureau Friends of Agriculture Foundation | T. Hildebrand |
| | C. National Ag Day Essay Contest | Jamie Klein |
| VII. | Remarks from Invited Guest - The Honorable Russell C. Redding, PA Secretary of Agriculture | |
| VIII. | Other Items – B.A.R.N. Members Comments/Questions | |
| IX. | Adjournment of BARN Business meeting | |

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ANNUAL B.A.R.N. REORGANIZATION

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| I. | Reporting of Nominating Committee for New Officers & Directors | J. Klein |
| II. | Elections | |
| III. | Adjourn Annual Meeting | |

B.A.R.N. Board Members

1. Tammy Bartsch
2. Ray Davis
3. Jarod Fisher
4. Larry Gelsing
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. Roger Bowman
2. Carl Brown
3. Chris Hartman
4. Bill Zollers

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

- ~~1. Tuesday, January 24, 2017 – B.A.R.N. Meeting~~
- ~~2. Friday, February 3, 2017 – Deadline for 2017 Career Fair Exhibitor Registration~~
- ~~3. Friday, March 17, 2017 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM – B.A.R.N. Career Fair~~
4. Thursday March 23, 2017 – B.A.R.N. Annual Meeting @ Berks Packing Company
5. Tuesday, May 23, 2017 – B.A.R.N. Meeting
6. Tuesday, July 25, 2017 – B.A.R.N. Meeting
7. Tuesday, September 26, 2017 – B.A.R.N. Meeting
8. Thursday, August 31, 2017 - Deadline for 2017 Farm Tour Host Farm Site Questionnaires and Sponsorships and Advertisers
9. Saturday, October 14, 2017 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM - 10th Annual B.A.R.N. Farm Tour
10. Friday, October 27, 2017 6:00 PM – B.A.R.N. Bountiful Berks Banquet at the Crowne Plaza Hotel
11. Tuesday, November 28, 2017 – B.A.R.N. Meeting