

Agricultural Business Development Center Advisory Board Meeting – Agenda

Monday, October 4, 2021

1 p.m.-3 p.m.

(Microsoft Teams Call-in number 267-332-8737 – Passcode 502 949 422#)

Those attending in person will join us in the Markets Conference Room 309

Introductions and Welcoming Remarks

5 mins

- Secretary Russell Redding

ABDC Progress Update

20 mins

- Phil Stober, Division Chief for Economic Development/Director ABDC
 - **ABDC Advisory Board Overview**
 - Terms and Term Limits
 - Ag Progress Days
 - PA Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Capacity Building
 - **ABDC Strategic Plan Update**
 - Farm Vitality Grants
 - Ag Choice Farm Credit Mentorship Program
 - Farmer/Processor Outreach
 - Workforce Development & Collaboration
 - Hemp 101 Presentation Update & Next Steps
- Christy Rebehn, Risk Management Specialist
 - **Risk Management/Crop Insurance**
 - Upcoming Conference/Industry Roundtable – November 16, 2021

Overview of PA Farm Link – Update on Current ABDC/PA Farm Link Collaborations

15 mins

- Darlene Livingston, Executive Director
[About - Pennsylvania Farm Link \(pafarmlink.org\)](http://pafarmlink.org)

Status of 2021 PA Farm Bill Grant Programs

15 mins

- Morgan Sheffield, Grants Manager, Bureau of Market Development
- Michael Roth, Policy Director
 - Urban Ag & General Policy updates

Cheryl Cook Update

5 mins

- Cheryl Cook, Deputy Secretary for Market Development
 - Next steps for the Bureau

Other Business

5 mins

Future Meeting Dates (Proposed)

On or about **February 7th, 2022** (TBD – perhaps combo virtual/in person)

On or about **May 9th, 2022** (location TBD – perhaps combo virtual/in person)

On or about **September 12th, 2022** (location TBD – perhaps combo virtual/in person)

On or about **January 9th, 2023** (during 2023 PA Farm Show)

On or about **May 8th, 2023** (location TBD – perhaps combo virtual/in person)

On or about **September 11th, 2023** (location TBD – perhaps combo virtual/in person)