

Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture  
**AG BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER ADVISORY BOARD**  
**Wednesday, February 18, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.**

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**AGENDA**

<b>Call to Order</b>	Secretary Russell Redding, Chair
<b>Attendance</b>	Stephanie Shirk
<b>Approval of Last Meeting Minutes</b>	Board
<b>Opening Remarks</b>	Secretary Russell Redding, Chair
<b><u>Department/Agency Updates</u></b>	
Deputy Secretary Update	Deputy Secretary Heidi Secord
Farm Vitality Grant Status Update	Neil Imes
Next Generation Farmer Loan Program Update	Michele Brookins
<b><u>New Business</u></b>	
Ag Innovation Grant Overview	Mike Roth
PA Preferred® Update	Karen Powell
Partner reports	Stephanie and partners
<b>Open Discussion</b>	Board
<b>Concluding Remarks</b>	Secretary Russell Redding, Chair