

## **Agriculture Finance and Policy Committee Meeting**

**Chair:** Rep. Paul Anderson

**Vice-Chair:** Rep. Bobbie Harder

March 9, 2026

1:00 p.m.

G3 Capitol

### **AGENDA**

- I.** Call to Order
- II.** Approval of minutes
- III.** HF 3692 (Smith) Farmer-Lender Mediation Act extended
  - Mary Nell Preisler, Director, Farmer-Lender Mediation, University of Minnesota Extension
  - Hunter Pederson, Public Policy Specialist, Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation
  - Stu Lourey, Government Relations Director, Minnesota Farmers Union
- IV.** Update the University of Minnesota on the Agriculture Research, Education, Extension and Technology Transfer (AGREET) grant program.
  - Bev Durgan, Dean, University of Minnesota Extension
  - Laura Molgaard, Dean, University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine
  - Brian Buhr, Dean, University of Minnesota College of Food, Agriculture, and Natural Sciences
  - Tina LeBrun, Executive Director, Southern Agricultural Center of Excellence
- V.** Presentation on the Forever Green Initiative at the University of Minnesota
  - Dr. Mitch Hunter, Co-Director, UMN Forever Green Initiative
  - Colin Cureton - Director of Commercialization, Adoption, and Scaling, UMN Forever Green Initiative
  - Paul Novotny - Farmer and business owner
- VI.** Adjourn

**\*\* Items may be added or removed from the agenda**

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, March 11, 2026