Tuesday- November 17 (continued)

Election of Directors and Alternates to the NJFB Board

Election of Delegates and Alternates to the AFBF Annual Meeting

Election of Delegates and Alternates from the Women's Leadership Committee to the AFBF Annual Women's Meeting

Other Business

Auditor's Report (Closed Session)

Adjournment

4:00 pm (approx.) **NJFB Board of Directiors Meeting**

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November 16-17, 2026

DoubleTree Hilton Cherry Hill
2349 Marlton Pike West
Cherry Hill, NJ 08002

Monday - November 16

8:00 am **Registration**
Continental Breakfast
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9:00 am **Call to Order**
Invocation
Flag Salute

9:15 am **President's Annual Address**
President Allen Carter

9:30 am **Roll Call of the Delegates**

9:40 am **Report of the Resolutions Comittee**

10:30 am **BREAK**
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10:45 am **Remarks from NJ FFA Association**
Peter DelCollo, State FFA President

10:55 am Resume the Report of Resolutions Committee

11:35 am **Remarks from Farm Family Insurance Company**
Jack Dempsey, Dempsey Weiss & Associates Insurance

11:50 am **Remarks from American Farm Bureau Federation Promotion & Engagement (P&E) Committee**
Heidi Cooper, National Chair, P&E Committee

12:00 pm **LUNCH**
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1:15 pm **Powering Farm Profitiability: Energy Incentives for Upgrades & Optimization-** Panel Discussion

2:00 pm Resume the Report of Resolutions Committee

2: 30 pm **BREAK**

2:45 pm Resume the Report of Resolutions Committee

3:25 pm **Remarks from USDA**
Bob Andrzejczak, State Director, Farm Service Agency &
Rick Stern, State Director, Rural Development

3:35 pm **Remarks from the New Jersey Department of Agriculture**
Ed Wengryn, Secretary of Agriculture

5:30 pm **Cocktail Reception**

6:30 pm **Annual Banquet**

Invocation

County Membership Goal Awards Sponsored by Farm Credit East
Middlesex County

Recitation of **"We Were Never Meant to be Ordinary"** in honor of the International Year of the Woman Farmer

Distinguished Service to New Jersey Agriculture Award
James Rambo, Gloucester County

Arthur West Distinguished Service to New Jersey Farm Bureau Award
Gary DeFelice, Monmouth County

NJFB Women's Leadership Committee Basket Raffle Drawing

'Celebrating the Garden State' 2027 calendars
sponsored by
Farmers' Brokerage & Supply

Banquet Musical Entertainment
sponsored by
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Tuesday - November 17

8:00 am **Full Hot Buffet Breakfast**
Sponsored by Belle Mead Garage

9:00 am **Roll Call of the Delegates Resume Report of the Resolutions Committee**

10:00 am **BREAK**

10:30 am **Remarks from Rutgers School of Environmental & Biological Sciences**
Dr. Laura Lawson, Executive Dean

10:45 am Resume Report of the Resolutions Committee

11:30 am **Remarks from Rutgers Cooperative Extension/NJAES**
Brian Schilling, Sen. Assoc. Director, NJAES

12:00 pm **LUNCH**

1:15 pm **National Issues Update**
Brian Glenn, Director, Government Affairs, AFBF

1:45 pm Resume the Report of Resolutions Committee

3:00 pm (approx.) **Business Session**

Call to Order

Roll Call of Delegates

Minutes of the 2025 Annual Meeting

Report of General Counsel
Lew Goldshore, Esq,

Election of Officers
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