**VALUE ADDED FINANCE AUTHORITY (VAFA)**

**SDDA Conference Room – Foss Building 3rd Floor**

**523 East Capitol Ave, Pierre SD**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

**March 28th, 2019 – 8:00 a.m. CT**

***The public may participate in the meeting at the above location(s) or by teleconference.***

***Dial-in Number: 866.410.8397 Conference Code: 6579820148.***

**AGENDA:**

8:00 a.m. 1. Call to order of public meeting

 2. Roll call – in person and teleconference

3. Approve the agenda-additions

4. Conflict of Interest disclosure (if any)

5. Approve minutes for February 28th, 2019 meeting

8:05 a.m Beginning Farmer Bond Program Public Hearing and Resolution M

 6. Joshua Larson #1-0155 Public Hearing and Resolution M

8:10 a.m Value Added Agribusiness Relending Program Application and Resolution

 7. Jackson Winery & Vineyards, LLC VAARP #2019-01 Application and Resolution

8:15 a.m. In-State Counsel Resolution

8. In-State Counsel Resolution

8:20 a.m. Executive Session (if needed).

 9. Executive Session to discuss borrower financial information and to consult with legal counsel or discuss confidential communications from legal counsel, as necessary

 10. Chairman’s Report from Executive Session

 11. Action from Executive Session

8:25 a.m. Other Business and Announcements.

 12. Executive Director Report

 13. Next VAFA meeting – April 25th, 2019

 14. Adjourn

Notice is further given to persons with disabilities that this meeting is being held in a physical accessible place. Please notify this office by calling 605.773.5436 within 48 hours of the public meeting/hearing if you have special needs for which this agency will make the necessary arrangements

*The VAFA board meets monthly to approve/deny applications and to issue bonds for the* ***Beginning Farmer Bond Program (BFBP), Agribusiness Bonding Program (AgBBP), and Livestock Nutrient Management Bond Program (LNMBP).*** *These programs enable lenders and individuals to receive federally tax-exempt interest with respect to a loan or contract sale. The* ***Value Added Agribusiness Relending Program (VAARP)*** *assists with the establishment of new business, expansion of existing business, and creation of employment opportunities for agricultural related businesses.**VAFA also administers the* ***Value Added Sub Fund (VASF)*** *which assists in financing feasibility studies, business plans, and other business development functions for the development and promotion of value added agriculture in South Dakota.*