

**FACILITATING COORDINATION IN AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION – STATEWIDE
JUNE, 2021, SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES FOR DEAN DITTMAR**

I. ON SITE ASSISTANCE – SCHOOLS – 0 COUNTY PARTNERSHIPS – 0 *Virtual

II. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS PRESENTED – 2 PARTICIPANTS – 30

Facilitated XLR8 Professional Development, Ag Teachers, Carbondale - 5

Introduction to Agricultural Education in Illinois Presentation, 20-21 FFA Section Presidents, Springfield – 25

III. MEETINGS/CONVENTIONS/CONFERENCES ATTENDED – 18

*FCAE Staff Meeting

*Meet and Greet the New SIUC College of Ag, Life, Physical Sciences Dean, Dr. Eric Brevik

*State AFNR Curriculum State Subscription Meeting with ISBE: Jennifer Kirmes, Marci Johnson

*ILCAE Meeting

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St. Louis AgriBusiness Club Meeting, St. Louis, MO

*State AFNR Curriculum on www.myCAERT.com Negotiations Meetings with Cutting Edge Curriculum Board Members(2)

*AFNR Program of Study Corrections Meeting with Juan and Emily, Educational Systems

*Career Pathways Targeted Populations (CPTP) Quarterly Meeting with Mike Massie

*ISBE/FCAE Working Meetings with Andrew Klein

*FFA Board Meeting

*Meeting with Representative Dan Swanson and ILCAE Member, AFNR Annual Subscription Contract
Illinois FFA Convention, Springfield (2 days)

IAVAT Conference, Carbondale (3 days)

IAVAT Board Meeting, Carbondale

University Ag Ed Council Meeting, Carbondale

Experienced Ag Teacher(Second Year) Professional Development, Springfield

IV. MILES TRAVELED – Auto – 1379

V. OTHER ACTIVITIES – 16

Toured New Kreher Agriculture Center, Lincoln Land College, Springfield

Closed Joy Office, Loaded and Unloaded Office Furnishings, Joy

Honored Julie McCleary's Retirement and her Service to FCAE with Cards, Plaque, Flower, Lunch, Aledo

Drafted FCAE and ILCAE Reports for IAVAT Conference

Completed FCAE Student Online Personal Protection Act (SOPPA) Agreement and Sent to School Districts

Prepared Agenda for State Ag Ed Staff and FCAE Meetings

Reviewed Monthly Reports and Progress of Cutting Edge Curriculum with the Agribusiness Library Revision

Completed Changes for FY21 FCAE IWAS Budget Amendment #4

Sent Teacher and Individual Informational Requests

ICAE, ILCAE, IAVAT, CAERT/CEC, FCAE Individual Member and Team Phone Calls

Assisted Susie Scott and Julie McCleary with Tasks

Mentored and Assisted FCAE Staff with Projects

Reviewed Staff Monthly Reports and Travel Reports

Prepared for Presentations and Meetings

Wrote and Sent Email Messages/Made and Returned Phone Calls

Completed Monthly Report

VI. COMMENTARY

Challenging times in negotiating an annual subscription for our AFNR state curriculum on www.myCAERT.com. A state subscription allows equal access for all schools and teachers. The 600 percent increase from four years ago is significant. Hoping for an agreement soon.