

Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education Local Program Success - Summary of Coordinator, Jennifer Waters

August 2023

Total Assistance Visits

2

Secondary Schools Assisted Through In-Person or Virtual Visits:

District 186 Lanphier High School

Dwayne Andreas Ag Academy

Meetings/Conventions/Conferences Attended:

13

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Training with Corey Flourney

Illinois Association of Vocational Agriculture Teachers Board Meeting

Beginning Ag Teacher Conference/AGED496

ILCAE Meeting Preparations with Allyn Buhrow

National Coalition of Certification Centers Meeting Regarding Lincoln Electric LEEPS Program (2)

Franklin Covey Certification Meeting Regarding College & Career Readiness Curriculum (2)

FCAE State Staff Meeting

IL Ag Ed State Staff Meeting

ISBE Agriculture Line Item Meeting with Andrew Klein

Financial Meeting with Parkland College

Farm Progress Show

ISBE/ROE Grant Meeting

National MANRRS Conference Planning Meeting

Illinois Agri-Food Alliance Workforce Meeting

Brandt Consolidated Ground Breaking for Evelyn Brandt Thomas Ag Innovation Center

Grant Meeting with Allyn Buhrow, Andrew Klein & Tyler Strom

ILCAE Meeting

Other Activities:

Communications with Stakeholders Regarding Budgets, Future Plans & Setting Meeting Dates

Completed Monthly Reports

Developed Meeting Agendas & Communicated Meeting Details to Members

Analyzed FY25 Budget Needs for ILCAE Presentation

Projected FY26-29 Budget Needs for ISBE Report

Reviewed & Approved Monthly Professional Staff Reports & Expenses

Researching Available Certifications for IL Ag Education Programs

Development of Documents/Spreadsheets for Financial Management of the Project

RFD Radio Interview with Jim Taylor Regarding Back to School, Legislation, and Future Plans

Updated FCAE LPS Budget Document to Reflect Current Expenditures

American FFA Degree STAR Preparation/Practice Interviews

Set Up Practice Interviews for National Proficiency Award Finalists

Reviewed & Amended FY24 FCAE-LPS Grant Budget

Reviewed & Documented Expenses for FY24 FCAE-LPS Grant

Contacted & Designed Name Tags & Apparel with Primo Designs

Worked with Illinois Farm Bureau to Develop New FCAE-LPS Logo