

**FACILITATING COORDINATION IN AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION - Statewide
FEBRUARY, 2020, SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES FOR DEAN DITTMAR**

I. ON SITE ASSISTANCE – SCHOOLS – 2 COUNTY PARTNERSHIPS - 0

SCHOOLS – Collinsville, Columbia

II. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS PRESENTED – 0 PARTICIPANTS – 0

III. MEETINGS/CONVENTIONS/CONFERENCES ATTENDED – 15

Illinois FFA Alumni and Supporters Conference, Springfield
St. Louis AgriBusiness Club Meeting and Professional Development, St. Louis, MO
Ag Ed State Staff Meeting, ADM Headquarters, Decatur
IAVAT Board Meeting, Decatur
212 Conference, Decatur
IAVAT Middle School Committee Meeting, Decatur
IAVAT Teacher Recruitment and Retention Committee Meeting, Decatur
Agricultural Education Curriculum Meeting with Doug Falk, Decatur
IAVAT Legislative Committee Meeting Conference Call(2)
Evaluation Meeting with Julie McCleary, Joy
Evaluation Meeting with Casey Bolin, Columbia
Growing AgriScience Teachers Grant Webinar
Ag Education Graduate Courses Conference Call with Debra Korte
ROE Leadership Team Meeting, Champaign
College of Agricultural Sciences Banquet, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale

IV. MILES TRAVELED – 1523

V. OTHER ACTIVITIES - 12

Updated FFA Exchange Grant and Sent on the Listserv
Reviewed Agriculture Curriculum on State and Vendor Websites
Drafted and Sent Guidance Counselor Statewide Email Message
Reviewed Proposals for FY19 CTE Grant Funding
Sent Teacher and Individual Informational Requests
ILCAE, IAVAT, ICAE, 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 Reports

VI. COMMENTARY

Thank you to Greg Webb for hosting our state staff meeting and joining the major FFA officers with a presentation to ADM representatives. Cutting Edge Curriculum acquired the ITCS resources. Hoping that these resources can be made available to educators soon. Collinsville High School is very interested in starting an AFNR program in 2021-22. **Very pleased with the progress of the new ILAgEd.org website.**