

**FACILITATING COORDINATION IN AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION - 1
MAY 2020, SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES FOR JAY SOLOMONSON**

I. ON SITE ASSISTANCE – SCHOOLS – 2 COUNTY PARTNERSHIPS – 0 *Virtual

SCHOOLS – Dunlap*, Putnam County at Granville*

COUNTY PARTNERSHIPS – N/A

II. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROVIDED – 0 PARTICIPANTS – 0

III. MEETINGS/CONVENTIONS/CONFERENCES ATTENDED – 10

FCAE Staff/ State Staff Meeting Virtual Meetings X4
Agricultural Education Virtual Research Meetings X3
State Ag in the Classroom Virtual Meeting
Section 3 IAVAT Virtual Meeting
IAVAT Legislative Committee Conference Call

IV. MILES TRAVELED – Auto: 0 Miles

V. OTHER ACTIVITIES - 22

Worked with District 1 Schools on Unused Grant Funds
Worked on Agricultural Power and Electrical Systems Course Outlines
Worked on Inputting Teacher and School Data on www.ilaged.org
Worked on ILCAE Agricultural Education Teacher Retention Research Study
Assisted Schools with Incentive Funding and 3 Circles Grant Amendments
Ag Ed State Staff Chats X2
Illinois Agricultural Education Facebook Live Career Corner X6
Judged FFA National Chapter Award Applications
Judged Agriscience Fair Written Reports
Assisted as Room Host for Section 2 Public Speaking
Assisted as Room Host for Section 3 Public Speaking
Assisted as Room Host for District 1 Public Speaking
Followed up with District 1 Teachers on Ag Ed Enrollment Numbers
Followed up on District 1 Teacher Vacancies
Wrote and Sent Email Messages/ Made and Returned Phone Calls
Completed Monthly Reports

VI. COMMENTARY

This month I conducted my first “virtual” school visits with two of the teachers in my district. While it isn’t the same as traveling and visiting a school in person, I do appreciate having the ability to still assist teachers “face-to-face” during this unprecedented time. School visits are what I have missed most the past three months. This month I also had the opportunity to assist with several FFA events/activities. I helped host three public speaking LDEs in addition to judging Agriscience Fair Written Reports and the National Chapter Award Program. I am glad we are continuing to provide these activities for our agricultural education students/FFA members, even if we are having to hold them virtually. I am looking forward to seeing the accomplishments of these members next month during the first (and hopefully only) virtual State FFA Convention.