Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education Luke Allen, District II Program Advisor October 2015 Report

On-Site Assistance – (9) High Schools (0) Community College (0) AITC Coalition

Chicago HS for Ag Sciences Chicago Vocational HS Faith Lutheran HS John Marshall HS LaSalle-Peru HS Ottawa Twp. HS Streator Twp. HS Woodland HS Yorkville Christian HS

Workshops/In-services/Presentations – 2 Participants – 22

- ISU Ag Education Class ISU, Normal 16
- DeKalb Co. Teacher in-service Kishwaukee College, Malta 6

Meetings/Conferences/Conventions – 5

- IACCAI Fall Conference John Wood College, Quincy
- Beginning FFA Advisor Conference Northfield Hotel, Springfield
- FCAE Staff Meeting ISBE, Springfield
- Illinois PAS Fall Conference IAA Headquarters, Bloomington
- National FFA Convention Kentucky Fair & Expo Center, Louisville KY

Other Activities

- Assisted academic teachers in Chicago area with Ag resources
- Managed SAE Grant process for Cook County Ag Ed students
- Reviewed and updated the IL Ag Education Plan with Dean Dittmar
- Prepared and finalized plans for the Section 8 bus trip to National FFA Convention.
- Reviewed and made entries in the teacher and program database website.
- Developed and posted listserv messages.
- Email correspondence with various individuals in agricultural education.
- Completed monthly reports and weekly activity log sheets.

Miles Traveled - 1992

Commentary

National FFA Convention bus trip was the most successful to date. Naperville, John Marshall, and CHAS students all became will acquainted during the event and all teams set goals for the rest of their year. I will follow up with those goals when I visit each school. Our new teachers seem to be doing very well this year, even with such a large number of provisional licenses-thanks in big part to the help of the more experienced teachers in each section helping them out. I continue focusing on developing relationships with school administrators when I visit schools and when I can with schools who do not have Ag programs. I also focus on Ag Ed recruitment whenever I am able to meet with students in either high school or college. Updating the Illinois Ag Education Plan has proven to be a much more time consuming process than we had originally hoped, but we expect to have a final draft to ILCAE by December for their approval in January. I am very confident that the newest draft will be a much more useful document.