

Chilton County Master Gardeners

Monthly Meeting

December 8, 2015

President Pat Farmer called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

No guest speakers were present.

Pat noted Margaret Ennis was not present and because so, two sets of minutes will have to be approved in the January 2016 meeting. Kimberly Lyn, Secretary elect, took minutes for this meeting.

Steve McAnally presented the Treasurer's report for November

Beginning balance	5,235.70
Total Deposits	<u>1,809.00</u>
	\$7,044.70
Recent withdrawals	442.11
Cleared checks	1,297.78
3 outstanding checks	308.30
Account balance 12/8/15	<u>\$4,996.51</u>

Steve McAnally commented the CCMGA had a good year regarding income. Harriet Jackson made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report with a second by Margaret Goolsby. A membership vote was taken and unanimously approved. The motion carried.

Sondra Henley presented a photo of a water feature that she would like to install in the shade garden area of the demonstration garden. Sondra explained that she could get the water feature from Petals from the Past for their cost of 500.00. Sondra was seeking membership approval for the expenditure. After a Q&A session regarding specifics of the water feature Linda Turnipseed made a motion to approve the expenditure, with a

second by Harriet Jackson. A membership vote was taken and unanimously approved. The motion carried.

December birthdays were acknowledged.

Pat Farmer discussed the future CCMGA meeting process regarding hostess, clean up and set up duties. There were several sign-up sheets at the sign in table with each month holding an opportunity for members to sign up to bring refreshments, set up or break down the meeting. Pat urged each member to sign up for a spot. Pat and Jerry will continue to come early to make sure the coffee is prepared.

Trisha Williams took a headcount of 27 to play Dirty Santa after the luncheon.

Pat Farmer advised the membership that CCMGA supplies were taking up excess space in the storage closet of the Jemison meeting center. From now on all meeting items are to be taken home with members.

Pat Farmer advised that she is seeking nominations from the members for Master Gardener of the Year and Project of the Year. A suggested list of projects are: Demo Garden, Chilton County Extension office ongoing gardening and upkeep, Grant writing, Library clean up and replant, Jemison/Clanton city planting, Seminar and Expo events, Ice cream making, or Salsa making. Pat explained she does not need a large or complicated nomination but a name and a short "blurb" on why the person is being nominated.

Steve McAnally advised that all grant money has been spent with the exception of a grant from CAWACO. It is a reimbursement grant for almost \$2,000. When receipts are presented to CAWACO they will reimburse CCMGA up to the grant limit.

Trisha reminded everyone to get their hours into the system. She will not be available 12/30/15 to help. She urged people who needed her help entering hours to do so before Christmas.

January meeting will include 3 guest speakers.

Still have time to push Christmas home tour tickets.

3 of the 5 home tour homeowners were presented with a Friends of Master Gardner certificate and two logo mugs. The other two were unable to attend.

Cookies for the home tour are due at the extension office by 12/11/15 no later than 4:30

Sondra Henley reminded those who volunteered to proof read/edit a Master Gardner text book chapter to be completed no later than January 2016.

December 15, 2015 10:00 Board meeting at the "Little House" at the experiment station in Jemison.

Each member was asked to help set up their table with plates and silverware to prepare for the Christmas luncheon.

Meeting did not have a door prize. Meeting slightly abbreviated because of the luncheon.

There were 43 members present with one guest (non-speaker).

With no further business to discuss, Pat Farmer adjourned the meeting.