CCMGA MEETING AGENDA OCTOBER 12, 2021 CLANTON RECREATION CENTER

CALL TO ORDER – Pat Farmer at 9:30 a.m.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS: Pat Farmer recognized October birthdays: Harriett Jackson, Cheryl Herbster, Ron Herbster, Jerry Farmer, Golda Thomas, Kaylee Doucet and Teresa Davis.

MINUTES – Review of September Minutes presented by Treasia Bennett. She asked for any corrections or additions as shown on September minutes posted on CCMG website. Trish Williams noted a correction that had been made and minutes stand as posted.

FINANCES –Pat Farmer gave financials for September: \$9,735.64 Beginning Balance \$9,611.02 Ending Balance.

\$213.79 – deposits \$548.00 – withdrawals/checks \$124.62 – outstanding checks

PROGRAM – Charla Doucet gave an overview of a new department of the state, Alabama's Cannabis Commission, with \$500,000 funding from the governor of Alabama. This commission will be overseer of medical cannabis use where other prescribed medication have not been successful. The use for medical cannabis is for pain relief, arthritis, ED, and Epilepsy. The commission has hired a director, defining rules and regulations, Senate and House of Representatives appointed for a committee of 14 members. Physicians are registered, and patients must have a licensed card for use. Charla Doucet is assisting in financial setup. The system will be a well-defined process from growing, cultivating, refining, transporting. And distribution. All will be inside of Alabama from "seed to sell" system. Only what is grown in Alabama can be sold in Alabama – no crossing state lines.

PLANT SALE – Pat Farmer gave a report on the upcoming 2022 Spring Plant Sale. The sale will begin Friday, April 15 at noon until 4:00 then continue on Saturday, April 16, at 8:00 am. Rain date is following weekend, April 22 and 23. Advertising will start in February 2022. Members should start planting and labeling plants now for the sale.

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON – Treasia Bennett discussed the upcoming Christmas Luncheon at the December 14 meeting held at the Clanton Recreational Center at 11:00 for food delivery and lunch at 11:30. A signup sheet was on the table along with foil pans for the food items. Categories consist of: vegetable casseroles, salads, desserts, breads, and drinks. Dirty Santa will be played after lunch.

MEMBERSHIP DUES – Trisha Williams discussed membership dues are due now and asked all who could pay now do so to lessen the mailout cost. Dues will be collected at the November membership meeting. Last date for dues is November 30 to allow for submission to the Alabama Master Gardeners committee.

COMPUTER EQUIPMENT/PROGRAMS GRANT – Pat Farmer gave an update of hardware and software that has been purchased. There is an outstanding balance of \$100 that will be used for a rolling bag for transporting the equipment. An accounting of the funds spent must be submitted to the Alabama Master Gardeners team on grants.

NOMINATING TEAM – Susan Cleckler is heading up this team consisting of Lanell Baker, Alan Reed, and Diane Clapp. This is for board members and committee chairs.

FIELD TRIPS – Pat Farmer wishes to incorporate more field trips in 2022 – it's time. Some recommendations are Orr Park in Montevallo, American Village, Auburn's hydroponics, etc.

MARGARET GOOLSBY – A celebration with cake and ice cream was held for Margret who is moving to Dothan, Alabama. Margaret has been a long-time member of CCMG and served in many office capacities and advisory roles. Margaret will be greatly missed.

CLEM CLAPP – Informed us of the Autauga Forestry Land Tour scheduled for Wednesday, November 3, 2021. This is always a good program to attend. Coosa County Forestry will be two weeks after Autauga's tour.

AMGA Advisory Council Meeting – Sondra Henley informed of the last quarterly AMGA Advisory Council meeting on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, at Petals From The Past at 10:00 am. Everyone is invited to attend but only council members can vote on committee items. A potluck lunch is after the meeting and you can attend. Matthew Durdin will speak on the Alabama Farm Center to be built in Chilton County and the impact on state wide agriculture.

ADJOURNMENT – Pat Farmer dismissed the meeting at 10:48 a.m.

Members Present: 25 members 0 guest <u>0</u> interns 25 total