

Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society
MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING – June 4, 2014
Discovery Room, Burnaby Village Museum

1. Welcome and call meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

2. Adoption of May 7, 2014 Minutes

Motion to accept April minutes was made by Cheryl Fiddis; seconded by Don Wrigley. All were in favor. Reminder: meeting minutes are posted on the BRAGS' website and the password is updated by David Forsyth.

3. Outstanding Business from the May Minutes

Judy Wellington enquired as to the follow from March minutes regarding Burnaby South High School Environmental Club was going to send their President to one of our meetings to promote their Fairhaven Project.

4. Treasurer's Report

Susan Brandl provided the following financial report for May:

Total revenue = \$2,557.16; expenses = \$570.90;
revenue over expenses = \$1,986.26. Bank balance as of May 31 = \$7,750.89. Motion to accept the above report was made by Susan and Keith Harris seconded. All were in favor.

5. Correspondence

- a) Letter of thanks from Keith Thompson (gardener at Burnaby Village) was sent to Lanny Hui regarding 7 plants donated to the Village that were left over from the Rhodo Festival plant sale.
- b) The Burnaby Garden Council sent BRAGS a copy of their new directory. In future to reduce expenses, they will no longer print hard copies – refer to their website for information.

6. Standing Committee Reports

a) Rhodo Festival – Verna Adamson – no report.

b) Plant Sale – David/Anne Forsyth – no report.

c) Welcome/Attendance – Faye Kilpatrick

Faye reported that there were 21 members and 6 guests in attendance.

d) Memberships – Anne Forsyth – no report.

e) Speakers/Program – Bev Glover

Please email Bev at bglover@telus.net with suggestions for speakers for October and November meetings. Keith Harris recommended Chris Jennings.

7. New/Other Business

a) BRAGS Picnic – Joan Conklin has offered to host the annual BRAGS picnic on August 10th. Meet at noon at: 4831 Hickory Court, Burnaby. Please RSVP. David Forsyth will post further details on the BRAGS website.

b) Bev read a letter that was sent from Cynthia Roberts regarding Des Kennedy touring Vancouver in July and would BRAGS want to invite him to be a guest speaker. Following discussion, it was agreed this is too short of notice and he could be costly. Bev will find out where Des is going to present and inform BRAGS members.

c) A former BRAGS member Lindsey McCann, has a rhodo and some daphnes to give away. If interested, email her at: Lindsey.mccann@gmail.com.

d) SFU Community Garden - Two members of the Burnaby Mountain Residents Association presented on the SFU Community Garden. Margaret Baker explained that this Association was started in 2012; is mostly balcony gardens and they hope to have 24 garden beds in 2 years. There are currently 8 members on their Committee. They are applying for grants for garden tools, composter and plants. They left their report with Bev and their request is for \$900.00. This item will be forwarded to September's meeting for further discussion and decision.

Meeting was adjourned and the guest speaker Barry Roberts presented on "All About Hydrangeas".