

Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING – September 2, 2015

Discovery Room, Burnaby Village Museum

1. Welcome and call meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

2. Adoption of June 3, 2015 Minutes

Motion to accept the June minutes was made by Bev Glover and seconded by Therese Pope. All were in favor. Reminder: meeting minutes are posted on the BRAGS' website which is updated by David Forsyth. Wendy thanked David for his ongoing, diligent work on the website.

3. Outstanding Business from the Minutes

Wendy thanked Bev Glover for hosting the BRAGS pot-luck picnic on June 14. It was a beautiful day and all who attended enjoyed good company, good food, a rousing game of croquet and showing off their hats.

4. Treasurer's Report

Susan Brandl reported that there was \$8465.06 in the chequing account as of September 1, 2015. It was moved by Therese Pope and seconded by June Dodson that her report be accepted as read. All were in favour. Susan asked members to be thinking about making donations as funds are available.

5. Correspondence – Wendy Thompson

No correspondence other than bank statements.

6. Standing Committee Reports

a) Rhodo Festival – June Dodson

Susan Brandl asked if there had been any feedback from Burnaby on the 2015 Rhodofest. Verna Adamson was not present, however, June Dodson said that she had not received anything.

b) Welcome/Attendance – Anne Forsyth

Anne reported that there were 13 members present.

c) Memberships – Anne Forsyth

Nothing to report.

d) Speakers/Program – Bev Glover

Bev reported that Egan Davis will be speaking at the October meeting about his trip to the Strandzha Mountain Region in Turkey and Bulgaria. Strandzha is an oak and beech forest with a Rhododendron understory. Mr. Davis is an excellent speaker. He teaches horticulture in botanical gardens, college and university setting, and he brings passion and infectious enthusiasm for gardening to his teaching. Members were encouraged to bring their friends as this should be a very interesting presentation.

7. New/Other Business

a) Wendy mentioned that the next Customer Appreciation Day at Gardenworks is Sep 17; be sure to take your membership to receive the discounts.

b) June Dodson will be away for the October meeting. Bev Glover volunteered to make the coffee.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

After refreshments, David Forsyth showed photos of club members' gardens which generated discussion.