

Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society
MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING – May 3, 2017
Discovery Room, Burnaby Village Museum

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

2. Adoption of April 5, 2017 Meeting

Motion to adopt the minutes was made by Beth MacLaren; seconded by Faye Kilpatrick. All were in favor. Reminder: meeting minutes are posted on the BRAGS' website and are updated by David Forsyth.

3. Treasurer's Report

Susan Brandl provided the following financial report for April 1 - 30, 2017:

Total revenue = \$20.64; expenses = \$20.00; revenue over expenses = (\$.64). Bank balance as of

April 30 = \$ 7,394.39. Note: Brian Minter has yet to cash his cheque for \$400.00. Motion to accept the above report was made by Susan; Bev Glover seconded. All were in favor.

4. Standing Committee Reports

a) Rhodo Festival & Plant Sale (Sunday, May 7) – **Verna Adamson**

Verna reminded all members volunteering to wear their festival t-shirts and bring a lunch.

Wendy offered to bring some Rhodo trusses. 9:30 is set up time on Saturday. Silent Auction is set for 12:00 and 2:00.

Sheri Jack is the "go to" person for Burnaby. The Shade Garden Club is donating a camellia for the Silent Auction. Anne Forsyth reminded members to tidy up your donated plants; wash your pots and please bring them in on the Saturday morning.

b) Welcome/Attendance – **Anne Forsyth**

Anne reported that there were 27 members and 3 guests. Welcome back Keith Harris!

c) Memberships- **Anne Forsyth**

All active memberships have been renewed for 2017 and there are currently 38 members.

d) Speakers/Program – **Beth MacLaren**

Beth circulated a sign up sheet for the tour of "Free Spirit Nursery" and "Select Roses" on Saturday, May 20. The tour will start at 9:00 a.m. and members are to meet at Deer Lake parking lot nearest to the beach at 7:45 a.m.

5. Correspondence – **Wendy Thompson**

Nil.

6. New/Other Business – **Wendy Thompson**

a) **June 11** – 9:00 to 4:00 = there is a Maple Ridge Garden Tour fundraiser for Sunshine Dreams for Kids which has been held since 1987. Tickets are \$20.00. For more information call: Amsterdam Garden Centre at 604-465-6614 or Triple Tree Nurseryland at 604-465-9313; Gayle at 604-467-2956 or Marg at 604-467-1885.

b) **At June's meeting** = Deborah Jones will present on "Rain Gardens".

c) **Annual BRAGS picnic** = Keith Harris offered his home and garden. Date TBA.

d) Beth MacLaren suggested that another Wine Tour could be organized for the fall and she would contact the same company as last time. Further details will follow.

e) John Crawford mentioned that the Greek Orthodox Church on Boundary Road near Moscrop is currently having a plant sale.

Meeting adjourned and Bev and Bill Glover presented their video on "Rhodofestival 2016" and some BRAGS members' "Gardens of 2016". Janice Bobic also presented on "My Father's Garden – Beekeeping Q & A".