

Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING – June 6, 2018

Discovery Room, Burnaby Village Museum

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

2. Adoption of May 2, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Motion to adopt the minutes was made by Cheryl Fiddis; seconded by John Crawford. All were in favor. Reminder: meeting minutes are posted on the BRAGS' website and are updated by David Forsyth.

3. Outstanding Business from the Minutes –

Wendy Thompson

Nil.

4. Treasurer's Report – Susan Brandl

Susan provided the following financial report for May 1 to May 31, 2018:

Total revenue = \$2,160.29; expenses = \$434.09; revenue over expenses = -\$1,726.20. Bank balance as of May 31 = \$9,685.75. Financial summary from the Rhodo Festival is as follows = raffle - \$60.00; Silent Auction - \$1,422.50 and Plant Sale - \$629.00. Susan recommended to club members that we should be using up some of the funds accumulated in the BRAGS account. Suggestions can be forwarded to Wendy.

5. Correspondence - Wendy Thompson

Nil.

6. Standing Committee Reports

a) Rhodo Festival (Sunday, May 6) - Verna Adamson and Bev Glover

Verna reported that she was pleased to have so many volunteers. The green tablecloths provided by the City of Burnaby were excellent! BRAGS will forward their feedback to the City. One complaint discussed was the lack of advertising and an informative website. Also the lack of parking continues to be a problem.

Plant Sale - Linda Cholette

Linda reported that the plant sale went well and there were only a few plants remaining. These were donated to the City of Burnaby for their gardens. Big thanks to Janet Hayes and Beth MacLaren for their assistance throughout the day.

b) Welcome/Attendance - Janet Hayes

Janet reported that there were 21 members in attendance. Janet expressed her desire to step down from this position and she will be out of town for the month of September.

c) Memberships - Anne Forsyth

Anne reported that membership dues are still \$12.00 for a year.

d) Speakers/Program - Beth MacLaren

- **September's** meeting will focus on "Summer Garden Experiences". BRAGS members are invited to present on their gardens.
- **October's** meeting - Joe Walmsley will speak on "Woodland".
- **November's** meeting - Margot Moser (former BRAGS member) will present on "Heavenly Hellebores".
- Keith informed members that the tour on May 26 - organized by the Shade Garden Society - the garden of Joe and Joanne Ronsley's at 250 Oceanview Road in Lion's Bay, West Vancouver was phenomenal. Well worth going to! The carpooling was a great idea and a necessity!

7. New/Other Business

- Summer picnic - will be held at Keith Harris' home on Sunday, July 29 at 1:00 - rain or shine! This is pot luck so bring your favorite dish. David will send an email to members.
- Rosemarie Daviduk reminded members about the Vancouver Rose Show on June 17 at VanDusen Gardens.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm, refreshments were served and John Saremba (the Burke Mountain Naturalist (BMN) Bat Team Coordinator) presented on "All About Bats".