

Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society
MINUTES OF MEETING – April 6, 2022
Burnaby Village Museum – Discovery Room

1. Welcome and call meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

2. Adoption of March 2, 2022 Meeting Minutes

As the minutes have not been posted on the website, no one has seen them, therefore adoption will have to wait until they have been posted.

3. Outstanding Business from the Minutes – Wendy Thompson

a) Insurance has been obtained through the BCCGC but only for ten months, ending December 31, 2022.

4. Treasurer's Report – Susan Brandl

Susan reported that there is approximately \$6700 in the bank account and almost \$6000 in a GIC

5. Correspondence - Wendy Thompson

BCCGC regarding their AGM on April 9, 2022.

Request to submit info about our plant sale for Brian's upcoming article in the newspaper. Verna will provide the information.

6. Standing Committee Reports

a) Burnaby Blooms – No new details

The festival will be held for one day only, Saturday, May 7, 2022 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

b) Plant Sale – Verna reported that we will be able to set up our plants on the Friday prior to Burnaby Blooms but we don't have a time yet. Verna put out a sign-up sheet for volunteers.

c) Welcome/Attendance – Judy Wellington

Judy reported that there were 15 members in attendance in person. We welcomed new members Barbara and Jim who brought several gardening books for the giveaway table.

d) Memberships – Wendy Thompson

Anne Forsyth, who manages the membership, will not be attending meetings in person for the next number of months. After discussion, all were in favour of deferring the dues for another year. Members wanting a new card can request it from Anne and she will mail it out to them. John Crawford said that the nurseries would probably accept the old cards, given the circumstances.

e) Speakers/Program - Beth MacLaren

Beth has been working hard to find us speakers for the upcoming meetings. Thank you Beth!

Here is the lineup until the end of the year:

May 4 - In-person - Earthwise Society, Matt Johnson - \$125 - *Earthwise Society's ecological demonstration garden, organic farm, and community programs*

June 1 - In-person - Dianne Gaines - \$150 - *What's new in summer flowering bulbs & perennials*

July & August - no meetings

September 7 - in-person or Zoom - Members' photos

October 5 - in-person - Jennifer Zuk - \$100 - *Talk/demo w/dahlias*

November 2 - Conway Lum - \$125, will bring item for raffle,

Topic - *Bird feeders for winter birds*

December 7 - Christmas Party

7. New/Other Business

a) BCCGC's AGM -- The AGM will be held via Zoom on April 9, 2022, from 9:00 am to noon. Participants have an opportunity to win A \$50 Lee Valley gift certificate for their club. Susan Brandl offered to attend as the delegate from BRAGS. Thank you Susan!

b) Year of the Garden -- Dale Fitzpatrick mentioned that for 2022 the Year of the Garden has designated red as the colour to remember those who died during Covid.

c) Compost – Go Green is no longer available. Wendy will ask Bev if she has found a replacement.

8. Adjournment – the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm and was followed by a social.