

**Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society**  
**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING – March 1, 2023**  
**HELD VIA ZOOM MEETING**

**1. Welcome and call meeting to order** at 7:11 pm.

**2. Adoption of February 1, 2023, Meeting Minutes**

Verna Adamson moved that the minutes for February 1, 2023, be accepted as posted on the BRAGS website and Janice Bobic seconded the motion. All were in favour.

**3. Outstanding Business from the Minutes – Wendy Thompson and Susan Brandl**

a) Donation to Byrne Creek Community School – a cheque in the amount of \$100.00 was mailed to the school.

**4. Treasurer's Report – Susan Brandl**

Susan provided the following financial report.

Zoom membership fees = \$78.40; donation - \$100.00. Current balance: \$6,623.72 and GICs \$5,700.00.

**5. Correspondence - Wendy Thompson**

Nil.

**6. Standing Committee Reports**

**a) Welcome/Attendance**

There were 14 participants in attendance and 1 guest.

**b) Burnaby Blooms - Verna Adamson**

The festival will be held on May 13 and 14. Verna will contact the donors. The City of Burnaby has requested that BRAGS sponsor a speaker. This suggestion was not supported by Verna and members. No further update. Wendy Thompson and Cheryl Fiddis will be unable to attend this year.

**c) Memberships – Susan Brandl and Wendy Thompson**

Wendy reported that membership fees remain at \$12.00 and can now be processed via electronic deposit.

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

**April 5** – Winston Wong from BC Bee Supply will present on “Mason Bees in your Garden”

**May 3** – Chris Jennings from the Vancouver Shade Garden Society will present on a shade plant, (possibly hydrangeas?) to be determined at a later date.

**7. New/Other Business**

**a) Donation of framed photo of Don & Dorothy Wrigley to the Carousel at the Burnaby Village Museum – Wendy Thompson**

Wendy reported that she has had no success contacting the Burnaby Village Museum regarding the hanging of a photo of the Wrigley's at the Carousel. This is in lieu of sending flowers to the Wrigley family when Dorothy died recently. The Wrigley's were long-time members of BRAGS and founding members of the volunteer group that reconditioned the Carousel, and later donated it to the City. Wendy has a photo of the Wrigleys, and she will contact a City Counsellor to discuss this suggestion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm. Katie McGillivray, from Earthwise, presented via Zoom on “Sensory Gardens”.