

**Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society**  
**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING – November 6, 2024**  
**At the Burnaby Village Museum, Discovery Room**

**1. Welcome and call meeting to order** at 7:12 pm.

**2. Adoption of September 4, 2024 Meeting Minutes – Wendy Thompson**

The Minutes for September 4, 2024, have been posted on the BRAGS' website. There were no minutes for the October 2, 2024, meeting held by Zoom. Verna Adamson moved that the September Minutes be adopted as posted and Faye Kilpatrick seconded the motion. All were in favour.

**3. Outstanding Business from the Minutes – Wendy Thompson**

a) Wendy thanked Beth for being BRAGS' delegate at the BCCGC fall meeting held at Bonsor on October 26, 2024. Wendy also attended and reported that there were good speakers. A couple of the topics included Winter Gardening and Xeriscaping. Several members from other garden clubs spoke, including FOG (Friends of the Garden) from the UBC Botanical Garden, Dunbar Garden club and Capilano Garden Club. The UBC Botanical Garden offers tours and there is good bird watching there.

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

Susan provided the following financial report.

Current balance: \$3,975.00 in the chequing account. (\$36.00 for memberships and \$12.00 from the draw were received) The GIC that matured will be reinvested in another GIC.

**5. Correspondence - Wendy Thompson**

Nil.

**6. Standing Committee Reports**

**a) Welcome/Attendance – Judy Wellington**

There were 17 members in attendance and 1 guest.

**b) Memberships – Susan Brandl**

There are currently six members that have paid their membership dues for 2025.

**c) Speakers Program/Tours – Beth MacLaren**

Beth reported that she has no speakers scheduled yet for 2025.

**d) Burnaby Blooms - Verna Adamson**

No report.

**7. New/Other Business/Sharing – Wendy Thompson**

**a) Christmas party and AGM – December 4<sup>th</sup>** – location and details to be determined.

After refreshments, Beth MacLaren gave a workshop on Ikebana, the art of Japanese flower arranging of the Sangetsu School. The members each made a Plane and Mass arrangement with the guidance of Beth and Jack Duncan.