

Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society
MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING – JUNE 5, 2024
At the Discovery Room, Burnaby Village Museum

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

Olive, the General Manager of Sekhon & Sons Nursery in Pitt Meadows.

2. Adoption of May 1, 2024 Meeting Minutes – Wendy Thompson

These Minutes have been posted on the BRAGS website. Cheryl Fiddis moved that the minutes be adopted as posted, and Keith Harris seconded the motion. All were in favour.

David Forsyth will send out an email about the tours, for members who want to come.

September 4: Will be an in-person meeting and members will show and show-off photos of their gardens;

October 4: Will be a Zoom meeting, with Jay Akerley giving a presentation on *Crevice Gardening in Small Spaces*

3. Outstanding Business from the Minutes – Wendy Thompson

a) Burnaby Blooms Recap

Wendy extended thanks to all those members that helped out at Burnaby Blooms. BRAGS made \$1,500.00. Many thanks to Verna also.

d) Burnaby Blooms - Verna thanked everyone who participated.

4. Treasurer's Report – Susan Brandl

Susan provided the following financial report. Current balance: \$4,248.00 in the chequing account. (\$1,574.00 from Burnaby Blooms and paid \$150.00 for speaker.) Two GICs remain the same.

7. New/Other Business/Sharing – Wendy Thompson

a) East Vancouver Garden Tour – (June 16th) David recently sent out a notice reminding members that they need to get tickets online in advance.

5. Correspondence – Wendy Thompson
Nil.

b) Summer Picnic - On Saturday, July 27th Keith Harris has offered his home and garden again for BRAGS' annual picnic.

6. Standing Committee Reports

a) Welcome/Attendance – Judy Wellington

There were 13 members in attendance and 0 guests.

8. Adjournment – 7:25 pm

After refreshments, Anna Dushyna (Ana Apothecary) presented on "Medicinal Berries" and served us several different herbal teas.

b) Memberships – Anne Forsyth

There are 37 BRAGS members – 25 have paid their dues.

c) Speakers Program/Tours – Beth MacLaren

Beth asked Jason Crutch for 2 dates for a possible tour of their Fraser Valley Rose Farm. Saturday, June 29th is the date that works for most of the members who had signed up in May.

Another Tour is being planned for July and Beth is waiting to hear back from Genevieve