Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING – January 8, 2025 Via ZOOM

1. Welcome and call meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

2. Adoption of November 6, 2024 Meeting Minutes – Wendy Thompson

These Minutes have been posted on the BRAGS' website. David Forsyth moved that the Minutes be adopted as posted, and Beth MacLaren seconded the motion. All were in favour.

3. Outstanding Business from the November Minutes – Wendy Thompson

Nil.

4. Treasurer's Report – Susan Brandl

Susan provided the following financial report.

Current balance: \$4,410.00 in the chequing account. (\$156.00 from memberships and \$57.00 from the draw). There is \$3,000.00 in a GIC.

<u>5. Correspondence</u> - Wendy Thompson

Nil.

6. Standing Committee Reports

a) Welcome/Attendance – Wendy Thompson

There were 11 members attending this Zoom meeting.

b) Memberships – Susan Brandl

See above note in the Treasurer's Report.

c) Speakers Program/Tours – Beth MacLaren

Beth reported that Ron Wong will present on "The Fascinating Native Flora of British Columbia" at the meeting on Tuesday, February 4th. This will be an in-person meeting. No other presenters confirmed as yet.

d) Burnaby Blooms - **Wendy Thompson** (Verna not in attendance)

No report.

7. New/Other Business/Sharing – Wendy Thompson

Christmas party – December 4th – 12 members attended.

After the Zoom meeting, Julia Taylor from SPES (Stanley Park Ecology Society) presented on BIG Birds: Great Blue Herons. Note from Linda: Heron Colony Tours at Deer Lake Park on March 29, 10:00 - 11:30 and April 5, 10:00 - 11:30 are being planned by SPES.