

**Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society**  
**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING – April 1, 2026**  
**At the Discovery Room, Burnaby Village Museum**

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

**2. Adoption of February 4, 2026 Meeting Minutes – Wendy Thompson**

These Minutes have been posted on the BRAGS' website. Cheryl Fiddis moved to accept the Minutes and John Crawford seconded them. 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: \$4,800.00 in the chequing account. (from memberships and 2 GIC's)

**5. Correspondence - Wendy Thompson**

Vancouver City Credit Union.

**6. Standing Committee Reports**

**a) Welcome/Attendance – Ann Forsyth**

There were 12 members in attendance.

**b) Memberships – Anne Forsyth**

All members have paid their membership fees except one.

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

Beth reported about the upcoming Stanley Park Ecological Society trip. 15 members can do a walk through either around Lost Lagoon, or Beaver Lake Watershed. Proposed dates: Thursday, or Tuesday, or a Saturday in April, or May. The walk will be about 1 or 1.5 hours long. Beth will connect further with Andy. When a date has been proposed Beth will communicate with David Forsyth to send out a message. Verna has offered to drive a van for carpooling.

**d) Burnaby Blooms - Wendy Thompson (please provide more details Wendy. Thanks Linda)**

Wendy was given a summary from Verna and a volunteer sign up sheet was circulated.

**Saturday, May 3** from 1:00 to 3:00 is set up time in Room 103; tablecloths provided by the City.

Loading area is the main entrance – same as last year and you can bring carts/dollies through there.

Underground parking is available for members.

Donated plants are needed – tomatoes and herbs were very popular, house plants accepted.

John Crawford picking up donated plants from Brad Jalbert's nursery but more volunteers needed..

Linda bringing the bin of supplies on Saturday for setting up; there will be a new pricing system.

Boxes, flats and bags are needed..

Verna bringing the banner and aprons.

Susan/Cheryl bringing the cash float.

David bringing signage and will send out a reminder to all members.

**Sunday, May 4** from 11:00 to 4:00 is the festival sale.

Remember to wear your BRAGS tshirt and to bring water and lunch/snacks.

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

**a) SPES winter auction – Beth**

**b) April 25 from 9:00 to 3:00 – the Burnaby Council of Gardens is meeting. Wendy will attend.**

**8. Adjournment – 7:25 pm**

After the meeting and refreshments, Chris Jennings presented on Heucheras, Asarums and Arisaemas.