

Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society
MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING – May 6, 2026
At the Burnaby Village Museum, Discovery Room

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

2. Adoption of April 1, 2026, Meeting Minutes – Wendy Thompson

These Minutes have been posted on the BRAGS' website. Cheryl Fiddis moved to adopt the Minutes and Faye Kilpatrick 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:

The plant sale at Burnaby Blooms made approximately \$1952, about the same as last year.

There is \$4707 in the chequing account not including the room rental for May.

There are two GICs for \$6397 and \$2066.

5. Correspondence - Wendy Thompson

Nil.

6. Standing Committee Reports

a) Welcome/Attendance – Judy Wellington

There were 14 members in attendance.

b) Memberships – Anne Forsyth

No change in memberships.

c) Speakers Program/Tours – Beth MacLaren

Beth reported that the Stanley Park Ecological Society tour will be on May 23, 2026, at 10:00am for one hour. 15 members can attend; so far five have signed up.

d) Burnaby Blooms - Verna Adamson

Verna thanked everyone for helping to make this year's plant sale at Burnaby Blooms a success. We had great donations and the pricing was better/simpler. The tomatoes, strawberries and herbs were very popular. At 2:30 we sold plants at two plants for the price of one, and, gave away what was left at the end.

There was a discussion about things that we might want to change for next year:

- There is no ATM onsite; make e-transfers available?
- Only sell to other vendors before opening time, and hide them.
- Label plants and colour of flowers as there were many questions we couldn't answer.

7. New/Other Business/Sharing – Wendy Thompson

Wendy thanked everyone again for their hard work preparing for the plant sale.

8. Adjournment – 7:32 pm

After the meeting and refreshments, Cheryl Johnston talked about the BC Agriculture in the Classroom (BCAIRC) projects