

Briar Chapel Garden Club Minutes
March 10, 2026

The meeting began with social time, snacks and drinks. Rick called meeting to order at 7:15 pm.

Approval of the February 2026 minutes

- Marcel made a motion to approve the minutes; Tom seconded. All approved.

Financial Report – Stephanie Humphries, Treasurer, provided a summary

- Income - \$33.46 (from membership dues)
- Expenses - \$370.90 (majority of expense for planting supplies)
- Net Income this month of – \$377
- Current balance - \$3820.07 (close to our usual balance at this time of the year)
- For more details, reach out to the treasurer who will share the detailed spreadsheet
- The full February finance report is uploaded and available on the BCGC website

Flower Sale – Ellen M gave a report

- Spring flower sale currently open and several orders have been placed
- Recent advertising includes a Buzz Article, Friday Flash, BC Life article and yard signs.
- Top sellers are English Lavender (new) and Peppermint Verbena
- If each garden club member would order at least 1 flower, it would be a great help.

Membership / Introductions –

- Several new members attended the meeting
- Total of 64 families have joined for the 2026 year with 7 being new memberships

Garden Work – Rick gave an update

- Reminder that although beautiful outside now, temps will drop next week to 20s so we are not yet ready to put plants in the ground.
- Plants have been started inside – cucumbers, peppers, squash, leeks, etc.
- Spinach is producing well at the little garden
- Thanks to Marcel for getting all the compost ground up this past weekend.
- Snap peas are coming in nicely, will be ready in about 1 month
- Onions / garlic are not yet ready, need another 2-3 months
- Asparagus is not yet ready, needs another 1-2 year
- Reviewed club's approach to picking produce – pick what you need for dinner that day.
- Plan for a workday in Big Garden on 3/14 to work on weeds along fence line and clean up the strawberry patch (thin out plants).

New Business

- Open house in June. Possible dates – June 13th or 20th. The 13th was chosen.
- Nikki announced that her home's gardens will be featured in the CH Garden Club tour this year, 4/25 & 4/26 from 10am – 4pm. If interested in serving as guide, contact Nikki.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm

- Marcel made motion to adjourn, Noreen seconded.

Minutes prepared by Marie Rape