

<b>BCGREA Branch 2100 Surrey Langley Langley/Surrey Branch 2100</b>	<b>May 11, 2026 1-3 pm Royal Canadian Legion, 17567 57 Ave, Surrey</b>
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### Draft MINUTES

**SPEAKER:** Dr. Paul Tindel, Chair of TALK (Third Age Learning at Kwantlen).  
Introduced by Heather Cross, TALK KPU board member

**TOPIC:** (TALK). TALK partners with Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) every year to provide a range of short and informative participatory courses. Course are led by community volunteers, including KPU instructors, and are offered either online or in-person at KPU's Surrey, Richmond, Langley and Tech campuses.

TALK not only provides lifelong learning, but the opportunity to expand your circle of acquaintances, and even give back by volunteering some of your time and talents.

- TALK is run by volunteers
- established 26 years ago
- \$10/year membership
- courses are about \$15 each
- for mature adults
- benefits: social, life long learning
- great variety of courses offered in the fall
- affordable, accessible
- see KPU.ca/TALK

**Call to Order:** 2:12 pm

**1. New items/Adoption of Agenda: M/S/C**

**2. Adoption/Correction of Minutes:** April 20, 2026 M/S/C

**3. Reports:**

**President:** Wilf Brodrick – AGM report

- i. Wilf is now President of BCGREA
- ii. Webinars planned, hosted by Connie Jorsvik
  1. May 19 – Understanding Advance Care Planning
  2. June 2 – Understanding Resuscitation and Heroics
  3. June 16 - Understanding Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID)
- iii. Property tax deferment – effective with 2026 property taxes deferred, compound interest rate is charged. For property tax deferred for **2025** and previous tax years, simple interest is charged on the deferred tax amount. To opt out, call 1-888-355-2700.
- iv. BCGEU and BCGREA met regarding communication and property tax deferment

**Vice President:** Renee Poley – no report

**Secretary:** Carol Paulson - no report

**Treasurer:** Gerry Nelson – AGM and Treasurers meeting

**Branch account:**

- Opening \$4265.53
- Revenue \$92.25
- Expenses \$465.95
- Closing \$3910.71

**M/S/C**

## **AGM Treasurers Meeting**

- Reviewed housekeeping, including:
  - o cost effective banking practices eg e transfer
  - o dues increased
  - o financial policies
  - o CRA requirements
  - o Liability insurance is being explored

### **Membership:** Janice Leonard

- o Attended AGM Membership Chairs meeting and appreciated the networking. Thank you for the opportunity.
- o Membership: 703 members. 5 new. 1 transfer in. 2 deceased. 1 resignation.
- o 10 of 14 life members will be attending the June meeting

- **Merchandising:** Janice Leonard – notebooks \$6, pens \$2.50

**Newsletter:** Janice Leonard – Branch members conveyed compliments to the newsletter team for their fabulous job

323 opened; 149 did not open; 8 bounced back

Always looking for articles for the Branch newsletter and the PEN

**Phoning:** Chris Roberts – thank you to the phoning committee

**Good and Welfare:** Surrindar Angl – 2 cards sent

**Outdoor Ramblers:** Benita Antonio

- o Saturday May 23 Glades Garden 10 am. RSVP Benita. Tickets required; but online

**Convenor:** Catherine Pritchard, Diane Felgate, Lynn Schneider, Sheila Zeiner. Planning June social; let one of the group know if you have special dietary needs

**Guest Speaker Committee:** Darryl Walker, Judy Gill, Margaret Mubanda, Benita Antonio, Darlene Jamieson

June 15 – Summer event

Fall plans- looking into food security, phone help

**COSCO:** Wilf Brodrick, Renee Poley, Margaret Mubanda

## **Motion to accept all reports: M/S/C**

**4. Old Business:** nil

**5. New Business:** nil

**6. Registration:** Marina Stevens

50 members; 2 guests

**7. Member Donation:** Marina Stevens

\$43.50

Plus 3 draws

**8. Adjournment:** 2:58 pm