

Southern California Bluebird Club

Monthly Meeting Minutes

Saturday, October 6, 2007
8:30 AM

I. Call to order

The monthly meeting of the *Southern California Bluebird Club* was called to order on Saturday, October 6, 2007, at *The Corner Bakery*, 13786-D Jamboree Road, Irvine, CA 92602.

II. Members Present

Dick Purvis	Howard Rathlesberger
Tom Croom	Earl Garrison
Charles Meyer	Peter Wetzel
Sully Reallon	

III. California Bluebird Recovery Program (CBRP)

A update was provided by each member present as to their experience with the online reporting database. Those members with the most nestboxes raised the most issues. It takes a lot of time to enter each nestbox. It is also not possible to add additional trails with contacting a database administrator.

A list of issues is being compiled for review by Dick Blaine at the CBRP.

IV. Non-Profit Status

Mike Spohn presented a description of the International Humanities Center (IHC) program for providing us a non-profit status. The IHC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit whose sole purpose is to provide small organizations like our the ability to 'use' the IHC non-profit status without having to incorporate ourselves.

The SoCal Bluebird Club would become a 'project' within the IHC. The IHC handles our funds all the required tax-related paperwork. The cost to do this is \$200 per year or 5% of annual revenues – whichever is more.

Mike Spohn volunteered to write and submit an application if everyone agreed this was the way to go. There was overwhelming support from the members. Mike Spohn also agreed to act as the club treasurer.

It has not been determined where the first years \$200 will come from but everyone was confident this would not be a problem.

For information about the IHC visit: <http://www.ihcenter.org/>

V. North American Bluebird Society (NABS)

Mike Spohn advised our club was rejected by NABS as a formal affiliate because we do not have a non-profit status. This is one more reason to accelerate our efforts to get this done.

VI. Golf Course Project

Dick Purvis has been working hard on the pilot project for our golf course program. He said he has his Lakewood, Palos Verdes, Montibello and Alhambra

golf courses on board. All members are encouraged to seek our local golf courses and get them interested in the program.

VII. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Southern Californian Bluebird Club will be Saturday, November 3, 2007. Same location.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 AM.

Minutes submitted by: Michael G. Spohn