Peninsula Caged Bird Society
By-Laws

ARTICLE I – NAME
The name shall be Peninsula Caged Bird Society(PCBS), founded by Dick Ivy and Bernie Van Arsdale of York County in July, 1983.

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE
The purpose of the Society is to:

- Promote interest and appreciation of the growth, culture, and the enjoyment of birds;
- Help bird owners in bird care;
- Promote friendship between bird lovers;
- Promote aviculture in rare birds;
- Cooperate with area bird clubs in matters of mutual importance; and
- Participate in national avi-programs as accepted.

ARTICLE III – EXCLUSION
None of the assets of PCBS shall be diverted to any private individual except for services required as authorized. PCBS will not participate in any activities resulting in income or gain to any member except sales and auctions as described in Article XI.

ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP
Membership shall be open to anyone interested in the growth, culture, and enjoyment of birds. There shall be one type of membership. Members pay an annual fee, may vote, and may hold office.

ARTICLE V – DUES
The Dues for regular members shall be fifteen dollars($15.00) for a single address. Any members delinquent for sixty(60) days may be dropped. Annual dues are payable on or before the anniversary date of the current original membership month.

ARTICLE VI – BOARD OF DIRECTORS
The administration, management, and general conduct of the PCBS shall be by twelve(12) positions(five(5) Circle Leaders, a Director of Activities, a Director of Public Education Programs, the Treasurer, the Secretary, the Membership Chair, the Perch Editor, and an Honorary Member, Lily Ivy. Each Director is entitled to one vote. Expenditures of more than two-hundred dollars($200.00) shall be voted upon by the Board of Directors unless the project budget for which the expenditure is made has already been approved by the Board of Directors. Committees and functions required for Society activity shall be headed by appointees or volunteers approved by the majority of the Board of Directors. Attendance is required at all Board meetings. More than two(2) unexcused absences in a twelve month period may result in replacement.

ARTICLE VII – DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
The Chairperson, or any Director in his/her absence, shall preside at meetings. The address of the Society shall be the address of the Chairperson, or any appointee of the Board of Directors, or Society post office box. A newsletter with meeting dates shall be published monthly. The Treasury report shall be reported monthly. Treasury records shall be audited every two(2) years or at the change of the person serving as Treasurer. Contracts shall be approved by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII – COMMITTEES, FUNCTIONS AND INTEREST GROUPS
Committees and functions shall be approved as required by the Board of Directors from the following list, with others created as needed. Committees must abide by PCBS By-Laws.

- Hospitality Committee – refreshments, picnics, parties;
- Audit Committee – treasury audit, to serve as needed;
- Special Event Committee – shows, fairs, speakers, etc.

ARTICLE IX – MEETINGS
Membership meetings shall be held on the third Sunday of each month at 2:30PM at a location to be announced. Twenty-five percent(25%) of the membership shall be a quorum for any business. Passage of business shall be by simple majority of those persons present when the attendance meets the simple majority. Any business for which the Board of Directors has authority shall be passed by simple majority of the Board of Directors or by seven(7) votes of the twelve(12) Directors. Society activities and meetings shall be run in an orderly fashion. Any person present, member or non-member, invited or uninvited, who demonstrates disruptive behavior, will be asked to leave the premises by direction of two (2) or a majority of the Directors present at the meeting or activity.

A registered letter signed by the Secretary and countersigned by the Chairperson or one filling that office temporarily, will be sent to any dismissed member explaining the circumstances forcing the expulsion, providing a majority vote of the Board of Directors is achieved.

ARTICLE X – ELECTIONS
No member antagonistic to a bird club in Virginia may be presented as a nominee for office of appointment on a committee in the Society, or for office or convention committee in the state federation. All nominations must be reviewed by the current Board of Directors one(1) month prior to elections.

Only persons who have been members for six(6) months shall be eligible to chair any activity or function. Any vacancy shall be filled by the Board of Directors for the remainder of the term.

General elections will be in October to elect the Finch and Canary Circle Leader, the Cockatiel Circle Leader, the Hookbill Circle Leader, the Budgie Circle Leader, the Lovebird Circle Leader, the Treasurer, the Secretary, the Director of Education, the Membership Chair, the Director of Activities, and the Perch Editor. At the November Board of Directors Meeting, the elected Directors will elect the Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson(s) as is necessary for the smooth functioning of the Society.

ARTICLE XI – SALES, AUCTIONS, RAFFLES
Sales, auctions, and raffles shall be held as recommended by the Board of Directors and approved by the membership. One hundred percent (100%) of any raffle proceeds minus the cost of the items shall go to the Society.

ARTICLE XII – DISSOLUTION
If the society is dissolved, any assets shall be donated to the Bird Clubs of Virginia, Inc. or other worthy avian cause, by the Board of Directors.

HISTORY OF THE BY-LAWS:
By-Laws approved May 19, 1985. By-Laws amended: Article XI on February 16, 1986; Articles I, VI, and XI on May 17, 1987; Articles V and VI on August 19, 1990; Article XII on November 17, 1991; Articles II, V, VI, IX, and X on February 21, 1993; Articles IX and X on December 10, 2003; Articles V and VI on July 18, 2004; Articles III, IV, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, and XII on August 22, 2004; and Articles II, III, V, VI, VIII, IX, X and XII on April 18, 2010.