



Constitution of the: Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Association

Article I. Name

This organization shall be known as “Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Association”, “CVJPA”

Article II. Place of Business

The post office address of the club Secretary shall be considered as the headquarters.

Article III. Purpose

The purpose of this club is to encourage the breeding, sharing and promotion of exhibition poultry, the constant improvement of breeding stock, and the exhibiting of all breeds and varieties in accordance with the APA/ABA Standards. The Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Club will also be the official sponsor of all junior events and junior shows of the Canadian Valley Poultry Club (CVPC).

Article IV. Membership

Section 1.

Any person of good character and who has a sincere interest in all APA/ABA recognized breeds and varieties may become a member of the club by sending one year’s dues to the secretary, or any officer or director of the club.

- a. Annual members will be a member in good standing upon receipt of payment of membership dues.
- b. Family membership shall consist of members of immediate family living in the same household.

- c. Junior Members shall consist of members not less than five (5) years of age and, not over nineteen (19) years of age. Junior members must be a minimum of 18 years of age to vote or run for office.
- d. Annual dues shall be \$10.00 for each individual adult membership, and \$15.00 for a family membership, and \$5.00 for junior membership, or as voted on at a general meeting, by a majority of the members present. Two (2) votes per family membership.
- e. All membership dues expire on the annual CVPC State Show date each year.

Section 2.

Any member whose dues have expired for a period of three (3) months, after having received due notice of same, shall cease to be a member, and shall forfeit all claims he or she may have had as a member. Such delinquent members may be reinstated by payment of current year's dues.

Section 3.

Junior members shall abide by the constitution and by-laws of the club.

All junior members must be present from coop-in to coop-out and present during judging to be awarded any type of awards. Special Exceptions may be granted by the Board of Directors.

Article V: Annual Dues

(a) Individual Adult 10.00

(b) Family 15.00

(c) Junior 5.00

Article VI. Officers

Section 1.

The elected officers of this organization shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, Director-at-Large, and Four (4) Directors.

Section 2.

President, Vice-President, Secretary, & Treasurer, shall be elected for a term of two (2) years. The President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer must have been active members for a minimum of 3 years to be nominated and/or elected to these offices. They also must have served previously as a member of the board.

Directors shall be elected for a one (1) year term.

Section 3.

Only members in good standing are eligible to file for, and if elected, hold office.

Only current members are eligible to vote. Families have 2 votes max if Family Membership.

Section 4.

The office of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, or Treasurer, vacated for any reason during their term, will be filled for the remaining term of office by an officer appointed by the Board of Directors.

Any Directors office vacated for any reason during their term will be filled for the remaining term of office by a special election at the next monthly general meeting.

Also any elected officer that misses three (3) consecutive meetings without a valid reason will be removed from his or her office.

By-Laws

Article I. Duties of Officers

Section 1. President

The President shall be a member in good standing, and act as Chairman of the Board of Directors. And execute all other duties imposed upon him or her at the time of election, and shall see that the Constitution and By-Laws are executed by everyone concerned, and that all officers of the Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Association are properly executing their said duties, and may call a special meeting when deemed necessary, or at the request of at least three (3) board members, and he or she shall preside at all meetings.

Section 2. Vice President

The Vice-President shall act as presiding and executive officer in the absence of the president,

assuming all other duties of the office during the term if it should be vacated for any reason. The Normal duties of the Vice-President shall be to work closely with the secretary-treasurer and directors, and they through the membership as a whole in securing as many new members as possible. And shall also execute any other duties imposed upon at the time of election.

Section 3. Secretary

The Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the club and keep an account of same. The secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings, and shall have charge of all books and papers pertaining to the club; He or She shall issue all notices of meetings, and shall notify all members with dues, and if unpaid for three (3) months after due date, remove name from membership list. The secretary shall keep a correct list of all members of the Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Association together with their address. He or she shall be custodian of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Association. The secretary-treasurer shall surrender all files, and any other property of the Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Association, to the new secretary at the termination of his or her duties, in the presence of the Board of Directors.

Section 4. Treasurer

He or She shall keep an account of all revenues. He or She shall also collect all money due the Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Association and keep an accurate account of same. The treasurer shall also prepare a financial statement for the fiscal year and present the same at the first general meeting of the year. The treasurer shall surrender all files, money, and any other property of the Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Association, to the new treasurer at the termination of his or her duties, in the presence of the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall control the affairs of the Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Association at all times. They will remove from office any officer upon a majority vote of the board, for misconduct, unethical behavior or failure to perform the duties of his or her office.

Article II. Election of Officers

Directors and the secretary-treasurer in good standing shall be nominated for the office of president or vice-president as long as they have been an active member for a minimum of 3 years. Any member in good standing may be nominated for the other offices of the Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Association. Nominations will be made one month prior to the monthly meeting designated for elections. All nominees must be a current member at the time of nomination. Elections shall be held at the annual CVPC State Show meeting.

Article IV. Club Meetings

The club meetings of the Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Association shall be held as voted on.

Article V. Rules

Section 1.

Robert's Rules of Order shall be the parliamentary guide of this Association, subject to the requirements of the Constitution and By-Laws and to such official rules as may be adopted by this Association.

Section 2.

The Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Association will be guided by the rules and regulations of Associate Organizations: i.e. American Poultry Association, Canadian Valley Poultry Club and American Bantam Association.

Section 3.

The Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Association will not be responsible for any personal injury, or possessions of people that are lost, damaged, or stolen at shows, meetings, picnics, and etc.

Section 4.

The Annual State Show date will be the first Saturday in February, unless changed by a majority vote by the Board of Directors.

Article VI. Interpretations

In case of dispute arising out of the interpretation and meaning of this constitution and by-laws, and on any matters not covered under the same, a majority vote of the Board of Directors will decide the issue in which the decision will be final.

Section 1. Amendments

The by-laws can be repealed or amended only by a two thirds majority vote at the annual show meeting of the Canadian Valley Junior Poultry Association by the board of directors. The decision will be final.