

AMENDED BYLAWS OF THE COOPER ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Present wording:

IV. Officers

(3) *Election.*

(c) In subsequent years, one of the following procedures shall be used. (i) If the President's term does not expire at said meeting, the President shall dissolve the old Board, seat the new Board, including the newly elected Directors, and immediately conduct the elections of the chief Editors (if necessary), and the remaining Officers, except a President-Elect.

(ii) If the President's term expires at said meeting, the President shall dissolve the old Board and appoint one of the existing Directors to preside over the meeting. Said Director shall seat the new Board, including the newly elected Directors, and immediately call for confirmation of the President-Elect as President. If confirmed, the new President shall immediately take office and then conduct the elections of the chief Editors (if necessary) and the remaining Officers, including a President-Elect.

IV

(4) *Term.* Each Officer shall take office immediately upon election and shall serve the appointed term or until a successor is elected and qualified. The President and President-Elect shall each be elected for two-year terms; other Officers shall be elected for one-year terms. Officers may serve successive terms.

III. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(4) *Term.* Each Director shall take office when officially qualified during the second session of the regular Board meeting immediately following the Regular Business Meeting at which elected and shall hold office for a three-year term.

New wording:

(c) In subsequent years, one of the following procedures shall be used. (i) If the President's term does not expire at said meeting, the President shall announce the dissolution of the old Board and the seating of the new Board, including the newly elected Directors. The President will conduct elections of the chief Editors (if necessary), and the remaining Officers, except a President-Elect.

(ii) If the President's term expires at said meeting, the President shall announce the dissolution of the old Board and the seating of the new Board, including the newly elected Directors, and call for confirmation of the President-Elect as President. If the President-Elect is not confirmed, or is unwilling to serve as President, the Board will nominate a slate of candidates and elect a President, as specified in Section IV(3) (a). The President will conduct elections of the chief Editors (if necessary) and the remaining Officers, including a President-Elect.

(4) *Term.* Each Officer shall take office immediately upon adjournment of the final session of the regular Board meeting following the Regular Business Meeting of the Society. The President and President-Elect shall each serve two-year terms; other Officers shall be elected for one-year terms. Officers may serve successive terms.

(4) *Term.* Each Director shall take office for a three-year term immediately upon adjournment of the final session of the regular Board meeting following the Regular Business Meeting at which elected.

Adopted 9 September 1986



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Bernd Heinrich

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