

CHARITON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES BYLAWS

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Article I. NAME:

The name of this association shall be the CHARITON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES hereafter known as the Board.

Article II. PURPOSE:

The Board of Trustees formulates policy and direct the Chariton Free Public Library. The Board of Trustees shall have the power to carry out its purpose. It may accept gifts and shall control the expenditures of all gifts, devises and bequests to the Library. The Board shall have charge, control and supervision of the Public Library, its appearances, fixtures and rooms containing the same. It may also foster educational programs.

Article III. MEMBERS:

Section 1: The Board of Trustees shall consist of nine members selected by the Mayor with the approval of the Chariton City Council, Chariton, Iowa.

Section 2: The ordinance of the City of Chariton prescribes the qualifications for membership, terms of office and method of filling vacancies.

Section 3: Board members may succeed themselves for an unlimited number of terms.

Article IV: OFFICERS:

Section 1: The officers of the Board of Trustees shall be a President, Vice President and Secretary. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by these bylaws and by the parliamentary authority adopted by the Board of Trustees. The City Treasurer shall serve as Board Treasurer, but shall not be a member of the Board;

Section 2: The officers except the Treasurer shall be elected by majority vote of the Board of Trustees. They shall serve for two years or until their successors are elected. Their term of office shall begin July 1st.

Section 3: The election of officers shall take place at the regular June monthly meeting.

Article V. MEETINGS:

Section 1: The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees shall be held in the board room at 5:30 pm on the **second** Thursday of each month. The President may call a special meeting at any time so long as legal notice is given under the Iowa Open Meetings Law. A special meeting shall be called upon the written request of any member.

Section 2: The majority of the members of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

Article VI: COMMITTEES:

The President, from time to time, may appoint such committees, standing or special, as he or she deems necessary to carry on the work of the board.

Article VII: LUCAS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY:

Section 1: The Board of Trustees relationship with the Lucas County Genealogical Society, and the Society's use of Library facilities, is set forth in a written agreement to be reviewed annually.

Section 2: The Board of Trustees will meet annually with the Board of the Lucas County Genealogical Society.

Article VIII: AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS:

These bylaws can be amended at any regular meeting of the Board of Trustees by two-thirds vote provided that said amendment has been submitted in writing at the previous regular meeting.