

Chapter 10

LIBRARY*

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ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

Secs. 10-1-10-16. Reserved.

ARTICLE II. BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Sec. 10-17. Created.

There is hereby created a board of trustees for the public library which shall be vested with the immediate control and management of the public library.

(Code 1965, § 11-2)

Sec. 10-18. Members.

The board of trustees of the public library shall consist of nine (9) persons, three (3) of whom shall be appointed by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the city council, at the commencement of each municipal year, for the term of three (3) years and until their successors are appointed. All vacancies shall be filled in like manner for the unexpired term.

(Code 1965, § 11-3)

Sec. 10-19. Officers.

The board of trustees of the public library shall annually orga-

*Cross references—Minnie W. Brett fund, App. A, § 3; Henry A. Ford fund, App. A, § 7; Linda M. Jackson library fund, App. A, § 8; Eldora J. Merritt fund, App. A, § 12; Isabel C. Packard library fund, App. A, § 14; Mary E. Perkins fund, App. A, § 17; Harry Leon Tribou fund, App. A, § 23; Jonathan White fund, App. A, § 24.

State law reference—Libraries, G.L. c. 78.

nize by the choice, from their membership, of a president and secretary.

(Code 1965, § 11-4)

Sec. 10-20. Rights and duties generally.

The board of trustees of the public library, subject to such limitations as the city council may direct, shall have the general care and superintendence of the library rooms so far as the same may be used for and occupied by the public library. The board of trustees shall also have the sole custody of the books, periodicals and papers, and management of the library and of the reading rooms connected therewith, with power to appoint a librarian and assistants, and fix their salaries. The board of trustees shall also have the power to make such rules and regulations in relation to the use of the books, periodicals and papers, and of the reading rooms, and fix and enforce such penalties for their violation, as they may deem expedient. They may make such disposition of old and unused papers and books as they may think for the best interests of the city.

(Code 1965, § 11-5)

Sec. 10-21. Annual report.

The board of trustees of the public library shall file an annual report to the mayor and the city council.

(Code 1965, § 11-6)

Sec. 10-22. Expenditures.

All appropriations for the public library shall be expended under the direction of the board of trustees of the public library which shall have full power to expend the same in furnishing, equipping, in the purchase of such books, periodicals and papers, maps and charts as it judges best calculated to promote the usefulness of the library, and in meeting all such expenses as the convenient and profitable management of the library may demand.

(Code 1965, § 11-1)

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