

December 3, 1970

Vice-President Kenneth Crist called the meeting to order with five members present; Mr.'s Crist, Luman, and Patterson, and Mrs. Shelton and Johnson.

Minutes of the November 5th meeting were read and approved. Bills of \$1437.48 from the general fund and \$15.65 from the Blended Fund were read and allowed.

The Librarian's monthly reports were presented. The Librarian asked and received permission to destroy warrants for bills over ten years old.

Meeting adjourned,
 Sue Johnson
 Secretary

January 14, 1971

The meeting of the Chanton Library Board was called to order by President Oscar Stafford with seven members present: Mr.'s Stafford, Crist, Luman, and Patterson, and Mrs.'s Curtis, Lewis, and Johnson.

Minutes of the December 3rd meeting were read and approved. Bills of \$9,837.69 from the general fund and \$537.13 from the Allender Fund were read and approved.

The Librarian's monthly and yearly reports were presented.

The next order of business was election of officers. Mrs. Curtis moved that the present officers be retained. The motion was seconded by Mr. Patterson. Re-elected were President, Oscar Stafford, Vice-President, Kenneth Crist, and Secretary, Sue Johnson.

Salaries were discussed. Mr. Crist moved that adult part-time help be given a raise of ten cents an hour, to receive \$1.85 an hour, and high school help be given a raise of ten cents an hour to receive \$1.55. The motion was seconded and carried. The custodians were given a raise of ten dollars a month, to receive \$1.65.

The Librarian reported damage from moisture in the magazine room of the

basement. Mr. Patterson was asked to check into this matter and report in February.

A letter from Mr. Joe Griffin, attorney from Ottumwa, notified the Board of the will of Miss Laura Curtis, once of Chariton, who bequeathed to the Chariton Public Library the sum of \$25,000.

Meeting adjourned,
 Sue Johnson
 Secretary

February 4, 1971

Mr. Stafford called the meeting to order with six members present: Mrs. Lewis, Curtis, and Johnson, and Messrs. Luman and Crist.

Minutes of the previous board meeting were read and approved. Bills of \$275.98 plus the gas bill of \$4.22 for a total of \$277.20 were read and approved.

The Librarian's monthly reports were presented.

The city treasurer has notified the board that the \$15,000 Allentime certificate is due.

Joyce Curtis moved that we authorize Ken Crist to consult the city treasurer concerning the investment or reinvestment of this certificate, \$5,000 of the Laura Curtis will, and our other memorial funds.

Meeting adjourned,
 Sue Johnson
 Secretary

March 4, 1971

Board President Oscar Stafford called the meeting to order with seven members present: Messrs. Crist and Leray, and Messes. Lewis, Curtis, Shelton, and Johnson.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The bills of \$1714.07 were read and allowed.

The Librarian was authorized to send a letter to elementary teachers in the school system encouraging them to borrow the twenty books to which they are entitled for use in their classrooms.

The Alexander time certificate of \$15,000, and \$5,000 of

The Centes will were invested at Central Savings and Loan at $5\frac{3}{4}$ per cent interest.

Meeting adjourned,
 Sue Johnson
 Secretary

April 8, 1971

President Oscar Stafford called the meeting to order with five members present: Messrs. Crist and Loran, and Messrs. Lewis and Johnson.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Bills of \$2325.14 were read and allowed.

The Librarian's monthly reports were presented. The Librarian reported on her recent Prairie Hills Library meeting. The Prairie Hills Cooperative is concerned over their Federal government funding of \$600,000 to operate in the 1971-1972 year. If they do not receive the money, the Cooperative will cease to exist.

Mr. Crist discussed the possibility of using funds from the Allender and Centes wills,

plus matching funds from the federal government, to increase the size of our library.

Mr. Leman moved the librarian and one board member be sent to the Governor's Conference on Libraries, to be held in Des Moines April 30th and May 1st, with expenses to be paid. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Lewis moved the librarian and the music room librarian be sent to a conference, Music Resources in the Library, in Iowa City on Saturday, April 24th, with expenses to be paid. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Stafford authorized Mr. Crist to pursue the possibilities of expanding our building, and to select board members to work with him.

Meeting adjourned,
Lue Johnson
Secretary

May 6, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Stafford with seven members present: Messrs. Stafford, Crist, and Lunan, and Messrs. Shelton, Lewis, Curtis, and Johnson.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Bills of \$1489.99 from the General Fund, and \$521.50 from the Allender Fund for a total of \$1994.54 were read and allowed.

The librarian's monthly reports were presented.

A letter was read from Mr. West of the Prairie Hills system. No news has been received from the federal government concerning the problems of funding the system.

Fines

The librarian asked if the Board would be in favor of doubling the library fines. Mrs. Curtis moved that we increase book fines to two cents a day, and magazine fines to one cent a day. The motion was seconded and carried.

The librarian reported on the music conference which she and Mrs. Hutchison, the music room librarian, attended in Iowa City. Both felt the conference was most worthwhile, and learned that our record cataloging system is quite sophisticated.

The possibility of purchasing tapes to be loaned to the public through our music room was discussed. Mr. Stafford asked the music committee to consider this.

Mrs. Nibel reported also on the Governor's Conference on Libraries. She attended a special section on focusing on individual needs. Each group drew up their conclusions to be presented to the Conference Committee.

Recently Mrs. Nibel met with the City Council and the auditor for the city. The auditor's recommendation was that we do not let all the adult help have access to the petty cash and the lock box. The Board's conclusion is that we will continue to operate as we have in the past.

Mr. Crist moved that the librarian and one board member attend the Building Workshop for Libraries, to be held in Des Moines May 25th and 26th. The motion was seconded and carried.

Meeting adjourned,
Dorothy Johnson
Secretary

June 3, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Oscar Stafford with 6 members present: Mmes. Lewis, Curtis, Shelton and Johnson and Messrs. Stafford and Susan.

The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved. Bills for \$2,336.34 were read and allowed.

The librarian's monthly reports were presented. The resignation of Mrs. Bob Johnson was read. She is moving with her family to Illinois.

A motion was made by Mary Lewis that a special meeting to consider the budget & salaries be held on Thursday, June 24th, at 4:00. Seconded & carried.

Mary Lewis moved that the Board recommend to the City Council the following members for reappointment: Mrs. Wiley Curtis, Mrs. Bill Shelton and Mr. Floyd Patterson. Seconded & carried.

Meeting adjourned.
Sue Johnson, Secy.

June 25, 1971

The special meeting was called to order by Mr. Stafford with 6 members present: Mrs. Stafford, Crist and Patterson and Mrs. Lewis, Shelton and Johnson.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider the budget. Sue Johnson moved that the budget as discussed be accepted. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Crist moved that the salary of the librarian be increased by 10 per cent effective July 1, 1971, from \$400 - ~~\$440~~ per month. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Lewis moved that Mrs. Taylor receive a raise to \$280 per month as of July 1, 1971 until and if she learns to do the monthly book work, when her salary would

be raised to \$295 per month.
Seconded & carried.

The librarian asked if the board would consider closing the Music Room Tuesday or Thursdays during the summer months. Mr. Crist so moved. Seconded & carried.

The board decided that the 24 A, T & T. rights received in connection with the Dewey Memorial Fund be sold through the rights agent.

Meeting adjourned
See Johnson, Sec'y.

July 8, 1971

The meeting was called to order with 6 members present, Mr.'s Stafford, Patterson and Sunan & Mrs. Lewis, Shelton and Curtis.

The minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved.

Bills for \$2,334.57 plus the gas bill were read & allowed.

Monthly reports were discussed and approved by motion.

The vacancies on the board were discussed.

Mrs. Curtis was appointed to serve as secretary for the remainder of the year filling the position for Lee Johnson.

Mrs. Nickel will inquire into the possibility of buying tapes from Sordani's for the Music Room.

Meeting adjourned.

Joyce Curtis

Secy. pro-tem

August 5, 1971

The meeting was called to order with the following members present Mrs. Stafford, Lusan, Crist and Patterson and Mrs. Shelton.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bills for \$ 1,422.76 were read and allowed.

Monthly reports were discussed and approved.

The west room of the basement was discussed and a

contractor was to be asked to check the condition again since the de-humidifier had been in use.

Vacancies on the board were again discussed.

The meeting was adjourned.
Barbara Shelton
Secy. - Pro-Tem.

September 2, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Mr. Crist with 5 members present: Mrs. Shelton and Curtis and Mrs. Crist, Luman and Patterson.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bills for \$1,471.19 were read and allowed.

The salary of Mrs. Taylor was discussed. She has completed the requirements, except quarterly reports, for a further raise, but because of the Price Freeze effective August 15, by President Nixon; action will be delayed.

The librarian suggested that the library be closed on Friday P.M., due to limited use. Mrs. Curtis moved that the library be closed Friday evening. Seconded & carried.

A letter was read from Jordan's regarding purchasing 8 track & cassette tapes for the music room. The librarian was asked to check into Tape storage equipment for the library. Mrs. Curtis moved that the library enlarge their facilities by acquiring a tape collection for loaning to the public. Seconded & carried.

Mrs. Shelton moved that Rosemary Evans be recommended to the City Council to fill the unexpired term of Jenny Threlkeld and Jo Eikenberry be recommended to the Council to fill the unexpired term of Sue Johnson. Seconded & carried.

Meeting adjourned.
Gaye Curtis, Secy.

October 2, 1971

The meeting was called to order with 7 members present: Mrs. Luman, Stafford and Patterson and Mrs. Lewis, Shelton, Evans and Curtis.

The minutes were read and allowed.

The president stated that the two new members had been approved by the City Council.

Bills were read for \$2,364.50 general and \$213.80 Allender and allowed.

Mrs. Lewis moved that the music committee look into buying tapes and players and have some prices ready soon. Seconded & carried.

Mr. Luman moved to raise Mrs. Taylor's salary to \$295.00 effective Oct. 1, 1971. Seconded & carried.

\$10,000.00 was added to Curtis Memorial making a total of \$25,000.00.

Meeting adjourned.

Secy. Pro-Tem. Jay Mary Lewis

Nov. 4, 1971

The meeting was opened with 8 members present: Mrs. Crist, Patterson, Lunan & Stafford and Mrs. Lewis, Evans, Shelton & Curtis.

The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved.

The bills for \$1,511.82 were read and allowed.

Mr. Crist announced that Mary Lewis would serve as a member of the Music Room Committee along with himself and Mrs. Curtis. Mrs. Pickel, Curtis and Lewis will visit Okumwa soon to see about tapes & tape storage.

The library leaked on Monday & the roof was checked by Renu Johnson; the drain pipes need to be changed and the flat part of the roof needs to be re-roofed. He recommended Nelson Roofers. Mrs. Pickel will contact them for an estimate.

Mrs. Pickel will attend a Prairie Hills meeting in Okumwa

November 19th, and find out what is happening in that area. Perhaps a board member will attend with her.

Meeting adjourned
 Joyce Curtis, Secy.

December 2, 1971

Mr. Crist called the meeting to order with 7 members present: Mrs. Lunan & Patterson and Mrs.'s Shelton, Eikenberry, Evans & Curtis.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Bills for \$1,924.48 were read & allowed. (\$510.84 - Allender & \$1,413.64 general)

Mrs. Nickel announced that the Prairie Hills Library System is no longer in existence. Mr. West suggested at the meeting that the libraries of southern Iowa become incorporated. This was discussed. He will plan to meet with the board.

Mrs. Nickel has contacted Nelson Roofing and they have

assured her they will come to see the roof soon.

Meeting adjourned.
Grape Curtis, Secy.

January 13, 1972

The meeting was called to order with 7 members present: Mrs. Lewis, Shelton, Evans and Curtis and Mrs. Stafford, Luman and Patterson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & approved.

Bills for \$2,846.30 were read and allowed.

Mrs. Nickel read the yearly financial report and the yearly circulation report.

It was moved to approve the action of the Board President Oscar Stafford in executing trust agreements in which the City Treasurer acts as trustee.
Seconded & carried.

The roof has been repaired
The next order of business

City Treasurer
Trustee

was election of officers: The following were elected: Kenneth Crist, President; Joyce Curtis, Vice-President and Barbara Shelton, Secretary. The board commended Mr. Stafford for his service as president.

We talked about various means of promoting the library to members of the community. It was decided to have a coffee honoring the city council members.

The wage situation was reviewed and Mrs. Lewis moved that at this time we leave the hourly wage as is. Seconded and carried.

Meeting adjourned.
Joyce Curtis, Secy.

February 2, 1972

The meeting was called to order by chairman, Mr. Crist with 6 members present Mrs. Curtis, Evans, Shelton + Mrs. Lunan, Stafford + Crist. The minutes were read + approved. Bills of \$1,852.51

plus the telephone & gas bills were allowed.

Mrs. Nirkely reported circulation topped 300 on January 31st, the first time since 1966.

Mrs. Curtis reported on the music committee's trip to Sorden Music Co. in Ottemewa to check on tapes & tape players for the music room.

Mrs. Nickel stated the state auditors had been here.

Meeting Adjourned,
Barbara Shelton, Sec.

March 9, 1972

The meeting was called to order by vice-chairman Joyce Curtis with seven members present: Mrs's Curtis, Shelton, Evans, Davis & Cikanberg, Mr's Lunan & Stafford.

The minutes were read & approved. Bills of \$1,696.51 plus the light bill were allowed. The librarian presented her monthly reports.

It was moved that the library

be closed Wednesday due to Chariton playing in the state tournament in Des Moines. It was seconded & approved.

The meeting was adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

April 6, 1972

The meeting was called to order by chairman, Mr. Crist with seven members present: Mrs's Evans, Curtis, Shelton, Mr's Luman, Patterson, & Stafford.

The minutes were read & approved.

Bills of \$2,784.58 plus the light bill were allowed. Mrs Nickel presented her monthly reports.

Discussion was held on group insurance offered by the city. This would cover only the librarian & asst. librarian. It was moved that it be added to the library budget, seconded & approved.

The meeting was adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

May 4, 1972

The meeting was called to order by chairman, Mr. Crist with 7 members present:

Mrs's Eikenberry, Evans, Shelton, Mrs's Stafford, Crist, Lunan & Mrs Lewis.

The minutes were read & approved. Bills of \$2,293.26 plus the phone & light bill were allowed. The librarian presented her monthly reports.

The librarian displayed new plastic cover jackets for the records in the music room. She announced the district FLA meeting will be in Albion May 16th. It was seconded & approved that expenses be paid for the librarian & assistant librarian to attend.

Mrs. Eikenberry told of the American Library Assoc. & described what they offer & what dues would cost. The librarian was to check into the matter & report to the board at a later date.

The meeting was adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

June 8, 1972

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mr. Crist with 9 members present: Mrs's Curtis, Eikenberry, Evans, Lewis, Shelton & Mrs's Stafford, Lunan, Patterson & Crist.

Minutes were read & approved. Bills of \$1,847.16 plus the gas bill were read & allowed.

Mrs. Nickel stated she didn't feel we would benefit from belonging to the American Library Assoc. as most of the benefits were already covered for our library.

It was reported that the roof had leaked again. Nelson Roofers from Ottumwa were to be contacted.

The janitors salaries were discussed. A motion was made by Mrs. Curtis that we assume the cost of the mowing & snow shoveling that had previously been paid by Mr. Carson & now will be paid out of petty cash with pay rates being approved first by Mrs. Nickel & work arrangements made by Mr. Carson. It was seconded by Mr. Stafford. This will be in lieu of a salary raise.

Mrs. Nickel reported that June 1st is the time for her cost of living ^{pay} raise but that she would forego it since hospitalization insurance has recently been taken out for her by the library.

Meeting Adjourned.
Barbara Shelton, Sec.

July 6, 1972

The meeting was called to order by vice-chairman, Joyce Curtis with 5 members present: Mrs's Curtis, Evans, Shelton, + Mr's Lunan + Stafford.

The minutes were read + approved.

Bills of \$2,831.16 plus the gas bill were allowed.

The budget for the coming year was presented + approved.

It was moved that old discarded books be sold on Chariton's Crazy Days in front of the library. Seconded + approved.
Meeting adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

August 3, 1972

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ken Crist with 7 members present: Mrs's Evans, Lewis, Shelton, + Mr's Lunan, Stafford + Patterson + Crist.

The minutes were read + approved.

Bills of \$1,495.64 plus the telephone + gas bill were allowed.

Mrs. Nickel announced that the book sale on Crazy Day brought

in \$68.⁸⁰. Books were sold from tables on the sidewalk at 10¢ each.

Mrs. Michel mentioned that the roof in the office has continued to leak with recent rains & that Nelson Roofers from Ottumwa have promised to come & make repairs but have failed to appear. Mr. Patterson was appointed to see Mr. Renus Johnson to check the roof & contact the roofers.

The meeting was adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

August 21, 1973

Chairman Ken Crist brought the special board meeting to order with 5 members present: Mrs. Lewis & Shelton & Mrs. Luman, Stafford & Crist.

Nelson Roofers had quoted a price for a new roof on the back part of the library building at \$1,480.⁰⁰ plus plywood if needed. Oscar Stafford made a motion to accept the quoted price if it is approved by Renus Johnson. Seconded & approved.

Meeting Adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

Sept 7, 1972

The meeting was called to order by chairman Ken Crist with 5 members present: Mrs's Evars, Shelton, Mrs's Stafford, Crist & Lunan.

The minutes were read & approved. Bills of \$1,546.73 plus the gas bill were allowed.

Discussion was held on the roofing again & on the declining use of the library.

A letter was read from Mrs. Mildred Sturm, Cove Center, Street, Iowa, offering a portrait of Laura Curtis to the library. It was decided to accept her offer. Meeting Adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

October 5, 1972

The meeting was called to order by chairman Ken Crist with 8 members present: Mrs's Lewis, Curtis, Shelton, Evars, Eikenberry, & Mrs's Lunan, Stafford & Crist.

The minutes were read & approved.

Bill of \$2,448.33 plus the gas bill were allowed.

Discussion was held on what to do with the money bequeathed to the library from the Laura Curtis Estate.

It was reported that we have not yet received the tape player ordered from Sorden Music Co. from Ottumwa about 1 year ago.

A motion was made + seconded that a brochure be made to be distributed by the Welcome Wagon Hostesses to new members of our community. Mrs. Evers + Shelta were appointed to take care of it.

Mrs. Eichenberry was appointed to contact Mr. McIntire about possible use of the music room by music classes.
Meeting Adjourned.

Barbara Shelta, Sec.

November 10, 1972

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ken Cist with 7 members

present: Mrs's Evans, Curtis, Eikenberry
& Shelton, Mr's Lunan, Stafford & Crist.

The minutes were read & approved.
Bills of \$ 3,365.56 plus the gas bill were
allowed.

Mrs. Eikenberry reported Mr. McIntire
expressed interest in using the music
room for possible music classes in
adult education in the future.

Mr. Crist reported receiving an
address from Midwest Audio Co. of a
possibility of getting tapes. It was
Ampex Corp., 2201 Sandmeier Road,
Elk Grove Village, Illinois. Mrs. Nickel
was going to write & enquire.

Mrs. Nickel mentioned that the
administrator of the Laura Curtis estate,
Miss Ilda Blanche Mc Carroll, visited
the library & inquired if any decision
had been reached as to use of the
money the library received. Mr. Crist
appointed Mrs's Eikenberry, Curtis & Shelton
to meet & recommend suggestions.

Mrs's Shelton & Evans reported finishing
the brochure. It was decided to have
them printed at Charita Wholesale &

to order 200.

Discussion was held on recent break ins at the library. Mr. Stafford made a motion to investigate covering the lower windows with mesh screen. Seconded & approved. Meeting adjourned.

Barbara Skelton, Sec.

December 6, 1972

Chairman Ken Crist brought the meeting to order with 7 members present: Mrs's Curtis, Lewis, Evans, Skelton & Mr's Stafford, Lunan & Crist.

The minutes were read & approved. Bills of \$1,469.82 plus the gas bill were allowed.

Mrs's Curtis & Eikerberry reported hearing from consultants firms that will come to the library & then make suggestions as to possibilities for remodeling.

Mrs. Michel reported that there had been some water damage due to a valve being turned on the furnace & causing water to spray from the

radiators. Mr. Allan DeLore had checked the furnace as soon as the problem was discovered. Meeting Adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

January 11, 1973

Vice Chairman Joyce Curtis brought the meeting to order with 7 members present: Mrs's Curtis, Lewis, Evers, Shelton, Eikenberry, & Mr's Lunan + Stefford.

The minutes were read & approved. Bills of \$2,624.23 plus the gas bill were allowed.

It was moved & seconded that the annual reports be accepted as presented by Mrs. Nickel. Motion carried.

Mrs. Curtis reported that Mrs's Nickel, Eikenberry, Shelton & Curtis had met with Mr. King from the Library Bureau, a division of Remington Rand's discussed remodeling of the library. He will report back with suggestions to the board possibly by the next board meeting.

It was moved & seconded that

the present slate of officers be elected for the coming year: Chairman - Ken Crist, Vice-Chairman - Joyce Curtis, Secretary - Barbara Shelton. Motion carried.

Salaries for the coming year were discussed. It was moved & seconded that the custodians, assistant librarian, & librarian salaries be raised approximately 5% bringing Mr. Carson's monthly wages to \$79.⁰⁰, Mrs. Carson's monthly wages to \$95.⁰⁰, Mrs. Taylor's monthly wages to \$310.⁰⁰ & Mrs. Michel's monthly wages to \$465.⁰⁰ & that they be effective January 1, 1973. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned,

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

February 8, 1973

Vice-chairman Joyce Curtis brought the meeting to order with 6 members present: Mrs.'s Curtis, Cross, Lewis, ^{Shelton} & Mr.'s Stafford & Datterson.

The minutes were read & approved. Bills of \$2,224.20 plus the gas bill were allowed.

The continuing drop in circulation was again discussed. Oscar Stefford was appointed to look into the possibility of making the Chariton Library services available to other than city residents.

The brochures promoting the library have been received. 100 were given to the Welcome Wagon hostess for distribution to new community members + 100 were left at the library.

Joyce Curtis reported hearing from Mr. King who needed additional measurements + will report to the board at a later date.

A bill from Prairie Hills Library Services of Ottumwa for \$375.⁶⁸ was discussed. It was for the time period July 1 to Dec. 31, 1972 + labeled administrative services. The library had not received any services during this period + discussion was held on resigning from Prairie Hills.

Meeting Adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

March 8, 1973

The meeting was brought to order by chairman Jim Crist with 8 members present: Mrs's Curtis, Eikenberry, Shelton, Evans, Mrs's Luman, Stafford, Patterson & Crist.

The minutes were read & approved. Bills of \$2,504.⁹⁹ plus the gas bill were allowed.

The librarian reported talking with Prairie Hills. The library has resigned from their association. The bill for 375.⁰⁸ due to Prairie Hills for the period ending Dec. 31, 1972 was paid.

Joyce Curtis reported that new wall pictures for the music room have been purchased & are now up. She showed plans received from Mr. King of the library services division of Remington Rand. They were blueprints of a possible plan for remodeling of the mending room into a small meeting room to be available for community use with an area for mending & lounge. This would be financed by the endowment from the Laura Curtis Estate. A motion was made to contact

contractors & proceed with the remodeling plans, seconded & carried.
The meeting was adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

April 5, 1973

The meeting was brought to order by chairman Ken Crist with 7 members present: Mrs's. Evans, Lewis, Shelton & Mr's Luman, Stafford, Crist & Patterson. The minutes of the March meeting were read & approved.

Bills of \$2,533.⁹⁶ plus the gas bill were allowed.

Barbara Shelton reported a bid had been received from Harley Keene, Jr. for remodeling of the basement mending room. The tentative bid was for \$897.⁶⁰ & included cabinets, paneling, dropping the ceiling, covers for the radiators & a new door. It was moved by Oscar Stafford & seconded by Mary Lewis that the bid as presented to the committee be accepted. Motion carried. It was announced that work will

begin in the mending room around May 1st.
This will be financed from the Laura
Curtis Memorial Fund.

It was moved & seconded that the
letter from Barry Porter, director of the
Southern Iowa Library Co-op, concerning
the problems of the now defunct Prairie
Hills Library Cooperative be received &
noted.

The meeting was adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

April 25, 1973

A special meeting of the Chariton
Library Board was held at 4:00 with
8 members present: Mrs. Aikaberg, Lewis,
Curtis, Evans, & Shelton & Mr. Loran
Stafford, & Crist, Librarian Nila Nickel, &
1 guest, Mr. Charles King. Mr. Crist called
the meeting to order.

Joyce Curtis announced that Mr. Harley
Keeney, Jr. will begin remodeling work
on the mending room in the basement
level about May 1st. The room will be

called the Laura Curtis Conference Room. She then introduced Mr. Charles King, of the Library Division of Remington Rand, who presented blueprints of the proposed remodeling of the upper level of the library. After discussion & suggested alterations Mr. King will send us an itemized bid after which time the board will then take action. The meeting was adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

May 3, 1973

The regular meeting of the Chariton Library Board was brought to order by the chairman, Ken Crist, with 7 members present: Mrs.'s Curtis, Eikenberry, Evans & Shelton & Mr.'s Lunan, Stafford & Crist, & Librarian Nela Nickel.

The minutes were read & approved. Bills of \$1,890.⁷⁷ plus the telephone & gas bill were allowed.

Oscar Stafford made a motion that the remodeling committee proceed

with securing proposals + bids for remodeling + refurbishing of the main floor of the library to be financed from the Laura Curtis Memorial Fund + present such to the library board. Seconded by Rosemary Evans. Carried.

Joseph Curtis reported that city manager, Mr. Bernie Auker, had been contacted as to the remodeling proposals the library board is considering + he will report to the city council.

Jo Eikenberry showed catalogs + explained differences in film projectors. Discussion followed as to the advisability of purchasing one. Oscar Stafford made a motion that a committee be appointed to select + purchase a projector from the Allender Music Fund. Seconded + Carried. Ken Crist appointed Jo Eikenberry + Rosemary Evans to this committee.

They were also asked to draft some proposed rules + regulations for loan of such a projector.

Discussion was held on the possibility of widening the use of the library to include the whole county.

Film Projector

The meeting was adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

May 29, 1973

A special meeting of the library board was brought to order by chairman Ken Crist with 7 members present: Mrs.'s Lewis, Eikenberry, Evans, Curtis & Shelton, Mr.'s Lunan & Crist, & 1 guest, Mr. Bernie Aclaves, City Manager, & Librarian Nila Nickel.

Joyce Curtis mentioned the needed repair to the ceiling & wall in the office due to water leakage. A motion was made by Mary Lewis that this work be done by Mr. Harley Keene, Jr. while he is at the library doing work on the Laura Curtis Conference Room. Seconded & Carried.

Joyce Curtis, chairman of the remodeling committee, reported receiving bids from Mr. Charles King of the Library Division of Remington Rand at \$7,931.35 for furniture & equipment & from Jack's Furniture

at \$3,800.⁰⁰ for carpeting & Young's, Inc.
 at \$4,743.⁶⁰ for carpeting. Other than
 draperies these were the major items
 under consideration in the remodeling
 from the Laura Curtis Memorial Fund.
 Joyce Curtis further reported the
 remodeling project had been approved
 by the city council on May 7, 1973.
 Mary Lewis made a motion that the
 bid from Jack's Furniture at \$3,800.⁰⁰
 be accepted. Seconded & Carried. Jo
 Eikerberry made a motion that the bid
 from Remington Rand for \$7,931.³⁵ be
 accepted. Seconded & Carried. Mary Lewis
 made a motion that Mr. Harley Keene, Jr.
 be asked to remove the wall from the
 east side of the conference room in
 the north-west corner of the library.
 Seconded & carried.

The chairman directed that copies
 of the bids & plans be made a part of
 the minutes.

The meeting was adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

June 7, 1973

The regular meeting of the Chariton City Library Board met on Thursday, June 7, 1973 with six members present: Mrs. Eikerberry, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Coars, Mr. Stefford, Mr. Datterson + Mr. Crist + Librarian Nila Michel.

Chairman Ken Crist presided + the minutes of the last meeting + a special meeting held on May 29, 1973 were read + approved.

Oscar Stefford moved + Mary Lewis seconded that bills in the amount of \$1,704.29 plus the gas bill be allowed from the general fund + Allender fund. The Laura Curtis bills were not in yet. The motion was carried.

Under old business Mrs. Eikerberry gave a report on the projector she + her committee were investigating. The committee felt that the public would rather we purchase a self-truder. It was decided that we should get a 70" x 70" screen of micro-beaded fiberglass, also a table to put the projector on + extra reels.

Jo Eikenberry moved that we buy the screen, table & reels for the projector. Oscar Stafford seconded. The motion was carried.

Mr. Stafford reported that the city council met & approved our remodeling.

Mary Lewis reported on some ideas the drapery committee has for purchasing new draperies for the library. She stated that she would report further at the next meeting.

Under new business, Ken Crist announced that his term of office, along with the terms of Mary Lewis & Rosemary Evans, will expire next month. Mrs. Eikenberry moved that the three be re-appointed subject to approval by the city council. Mr. Patterson seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

The new budget was presented to the board. Mr. Stafford moved & Jo Eikenberry seconded that the budget as presented be submitted to be approved & made a part of the minutes.

Jo Eikenberry moved & Mary Lewis

(A.T. + T.)
 seconded to agree to an option from the A.T. + T. to leave dividends in to become shares & to authorize the chairman to execute the agreement. The motion was carried.

Mr. Stafford moved that we adjourn. Jo Eikenberry seconded. Motion carried.

Rosemary Evers,
 Acting Secretary

July 5, 1973

The regular meeting of the Chariton Library Board was brought to order by chairman Ken Crist with 5 members present: Mrs. Curtis, Evers, & Shelton, Mr. & Mrs. Crist & Leenan & Sebastianian Mr. Nichol.

Minutes of the June 7th meeting were read & approved. Bills \$4,225.⁰⁰ & the gas bill were allowed.

The secretary read a letter received from Mr. Floyd Patterson of resignation from the Library board. It was

moved & seconded that this resignation be accepted with regrets.

Letters from the city council confirming the re-appointments of Ken Crut, Rosemary Evers & Mary Lewis to new 6 year terms to the library board were read. These terms will expire July 1, 1979.

Summer hours were discussed & the librarian suggested next summer keeping open from 10 A.M. - 4 P.M. as compared to the 1 P.M. - 6 P.M. now scheduled. The possibility of remaining open during the supper hour in the winter hours was also discussed.

Meeting Adjourned.

Barbara Sheeta, Sec.

Aug 9, 1973

The regular meeting of the Chariton Library Board met Thursday, August 9, with six members present: President Ken Crut presiding, Mr. Frank Lunan, Mr. Oscar Stafford, Mrs. Jo Eikenberry, Mary Lewis, Rosemary Evers, & Librarian Mrs. Nils Mickel.

The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved. The bills were read.

Oscar Stafford moved that the bills be allowed & paid. Mary Lewis seconded. Motion carried.

To comply with the new temporary ruling that the budget be figured on an eighteen month basis instead of a twelve month basis, Oscar Stafford made a motion that our budget be amended & approved. Jo Ekenberry seconded. Motion carried. This would start July, 1974 & run through December, 1975.

Under old business Librarian Nita Nickel reported that we sold over 1400 books at our book sale of discarded books, for a total of a little over \$140.⁰⁰.

Under new business, Jo Ekenberry announced that the 16 millimeter projector is here.

Ken Crist reported that the case for the tapes was at the Post Office.

Mary Lewis showed samples for blinds for the library remodeling. One was decided upon & she was given the board's approval to order them. The cost will be around \$1,070.⁸⁰ for 18 windows. This includes installation. They will be

Proposed

purchased from Tierney's.

Frank Lunan made a motion to adjourn. Rosemary Evans seconded. Motion carried.

Rosemary Evans,
Assistant recording secretary

The regular meeting of the Chariton Library board met at 4:30 Sept 6, 1973. The meeting was called to order by vice-chairman, Joyce Curtis with 5 members present: Mrs. Curtis, Evans, Lewis + Shelton, + Mr. Stefford + Librarian Nita Nickel.

The August minutes were read + approved. Bills of \$5,965.⁶⁶ plus the gas bill were approved to be paid.

Mrs. Curtis suggested Mrs. Nickel contact Midwest Audio Visual as to purchasing a tape player as we had been unable to get one from Sorden Music Co. in Ottumwa.

Promotion of the remodeling + new projector was discussed. It was decided to wait until everything was finished.

The meeting was adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

The regular meeting of the Chariton Library Board met on October 4, 1973 with five members present: President Ken Crist presiding, Jo Eikembury, Rosemary Evans, Frank Luman, Fred Bankus, & Librarian Nils Nickel.

The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved.

President Ken Crist expressed the feelings of all board members in welcoming new member, Fred Bankus, to the board.

Bills of \$2,699.21 were read & approved.

It was reported that the 8-track tape player which was ordered from Sorden's has been cancelled. We will try to get it locally. The tapes are ordered.

It was decided to purchase two gas lights for the front steps, to be paid from the Curtis fund. The remodeling committee will check on this.

The promotion for the library grand opening was discussed. It was decided to consider opening the library to the county at this time. Jo Eikembury moved & Rosemary Evans seconded that Ken Crist & Fred Bankus investigate the procedure

for the county becoming part of the public library. The motion was carried.

Frank Lunan made a motion to adjourn. Jo Eikenberg seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Rosemary Evans,
Assistant Secretary

Nov. 8, 1973

The regular meeting of the Chariton Library Board met at 4:30 Nov. 8, 1973 with 9 members present: Rosemary Evans, Mary Lewis, Joyce Curtis, Jo Eikenberg, Barbara Shelton, Ken Crist, Fred Bankus, Oscar Stafford, + Frank Lunan's Librarian Nilsa Nickel. The meeting was brought to order by Chairman Hulbirt.

The minutes of the Oct. meeting were read + approved. Bills of \$1,732.77 from the general fund, \$379.83 from the Allender fund + \$311.11 from the Curtis fund for a total of \$2,423.71 were allowed.

The probability of being able to open the library to the county was again discussed.

The open house was discussed with suggested dates being Saturday, Dec¹, + Sunday, Dec. 2nd. Joyce Curtis made a motion to use these dates. Mary Lewis seconded. Motion carried. It was suggested invitations be sent to city council members, local school teachers, + librarians in near-by communities. Mrs. Eichenberg was appointed to take charge of invitations. Mary Lewis + Nila Nickel were appointed in charge of publicity. Rosemary Evans was to be in charge of refreshments.

A letter of resignation was read from librarian Nila Nickel. It was accepted with deep regret. The board expressed its appreciation for her work during the last 4 years.

Ken Crist reported that assistant librarian, Mrs. Yvonne Taylor, expressed the desire for a wage increase. She mentioned she was not interested in being head librarian.

Ken Crist report receiving 4 applications for the position of head librarian. Letters were read from Margaret L. Lewis, Carolyn Webber, Rosemary Evans, + Carol Trumbull. It was suggested that a public notice be

placed in the Chariton Newspaper stating that the position is open for consideration. Jo Eikenberry will see to the notice. The board will meet Friday, November 16 at 4:00 to review applications.

Meeting adjourned.

Barbara Skelton, Sec.

Nov. 16, 1973

A special meeting of the Chariton Library Board met Nov. 16, 1973 at 4:00. Chairman Ken Crist brought the meeting to order with 8 members present: Mrs. Eikenberry, Evans, Lewis, Curtis & Skelton, Mr. Stafford, Barkus, & Crist & librarian Nila Nickel.

Applications & resumes were read for consideration as head librarian. Mrs. Evans left the meeting at this time.

Mary Lewis moved we have a test vote, each member voting for 1. Oscar Stafford 2 the motion. Motion Carried.

Jo Eikenberry moved that we accept the test vote to be the elective ballot & appoint Rosemary Evans as the new head librarian. Oscar Stafford seconded the

motion. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held on a suggested salary for a new head librarian. Oscar Stafford made a motion that the new salary be set at \$375.⁰⁰ per month. Mary Lewis seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Appreciation was again expressed by the board to Nela Nickel for her past service. Mrs. Evans was recalled to the meeting.

Rosemary Evans submitted her resignation from the library board. The resignation was accepted.

Oscar Stafford made a motion that Nela Nickel be recommended to the city council to fill the vacancy on the board. Mary Lewis seconded. Motion carried.

Fred Bankus recommended that letters of regret be sent to the other 8 candidates & a notice be sent to the Newspaper.

Jo Eichenberry made a motion that John Kurras be asked to speak at our upcoming open house. Seconded by Mary Lewis.

Motion carried - The Meeting was adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.

Dec. 6, 1973

The regular meeting of the Chariton Library Board met Dec. 6, 1973 at 4:30 with 7 members present: Mrs's Curtis, Eichenberry, Lewis & Shelton & Mr's Crist, Lunan & Barkus, librarian Rosemary Evans & Nila Nickel. The meeting was brought to order by Chairman Ken Crist.

The minutes of the November meeting were read & approved. Bills of \$3,779.97 plus the gas bill were allowed. This includes \$1,807.59 from the general fund, \$330.80 from the Allender fund, & \$1,641.58 from the Curtis fund.

It was reported that there was good attendance both days at the open house. Thank-you notes were to be sent to those sending flowers, teachers who brought students & assisted & others who helped.

Mr. Crist read a letter from Joe W. Griffiths, attorney for the Laura Curtis estate & enclosing a check for \$2,000.⁰⁰ along with papers assigning interest in Investor's Selective Fund, Inc.

The salary of assistant librarian, Mrs. Taylor, was discussed. It was reported that she was not interested in the hospitalization

* Oscar Stafford moved & hired. Lunan recorded a motion to authorize the officers to sign the required papers for occupying the school from the Laura Curtis estate. The motion was carried.

insurance the library was carrying on her. It is group insurance carried on city employees. It was decided all pay schedules would be reviewed in January + city manager, Mr. Aulwes, would be contacted as to the policy if a city employee prefers not to be covered.

Library hours were again discussed. The meeting was adjourned.

Barbara Shelton, Sec.