

*CHAPTER 27*

*HOSPITAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES*

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**27.01 PURPOSE.** The purpose of this chapter is to provide for the operation of the municipally owned hospital by an elected Board of Trustees.

**27.02 BOARD ESTABLISHED.** Pursuant to an election held June 19, 1958, the management and control of the municipally owned hospital was placed in the hands of a Board of Trustees.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.6)*

**27.03 TRUSTEES ELECTED.** The Board of Trustees consists of five (5) members, elected pursuant to Section 392.6 of the Code of Iowa, for four-year terms.

**27.04 OATH.** The Trustees shall within ten days after election qualify by taking the oath of office.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.6)*

**27.05 ORGANIZATION.** The Board shall elect one of its number Chairperson and one as Secretary, but no bond is required of such officers.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.6)*

**27.06 COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES.** No trustee shall receive any compensation for services performed, but trustees may receive reimbursement for any cash expenses actually made for personal expenses incurred as trustees. An itemized statement of all expenses and moneys paid out shall be made under oath by each of the trustees and filed with the Secretary and allowed only by the affirmative vote of the full Board.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.6)*

**27.07 SOLE TRUSTEES.** The Board of Trustees elected pursuant to this chapter shall serve as the sole and only board of trustees for any and all institutions established by the City as provided by Section 392.6 of the Code of Iowa.

**27.08 GENERAL POWERS.** The Board of Trustees shall have the authority to provide for the management, control and government of the City Hospital or health care facility.

**27.09 RULES.** The Board shall provide all needed rules for the economic conduct of the facilities under its control.

**27.10 ANNUAL REPORT PUBLISHED.** The Board shall annually prepare a condensed statement of the total receipts and expenditures for the hospital or health care facility and cause the same to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City.

**27.11 GIFTS.** The Board may accept property by gift, devise, bequest or otherwise; and, if the Board deems it advisable, may sell or exchange, at public sale, any property so accepted upon a concurring vote of a majority of all members of the Board, and apply the proceeds thereof, or property received in exchange therefor, to any legitimate hospital or health care facility purpose.

**27.12 DEPRECIATION FUND.** The Board may in its discretion establish a fund for depreciation in accordance with the provisions of Section 392.6 of the Code of Iowa.

**27.13 OTHER POWERS.** The Board shall have all other powers and duties now or hereafter assigned to a board of hospital trustees by State law.

**27.14 DISCRIMINATION PROHIBITED.** No discrimination in the management of the hospital or health care facility shall be made against practitioners of any school of medicine recognized by the laws of the State.