

## A G R E E M E N T

WHEREAS the desire for services provided by a public library transcends governmental boundaries of political subdivisions and can be provided most effectively by giving services to communities of people, regardless of the lines of political subdivisions, it is the policy of the Boards who are parties to this agreement to cooperate and share their responsibilities in providing joint and co-operative library services in areas where the distribution of population makes the provision of library service on a cooperative basis the most effective way to provide adequate and effective services; and

WHEREAS the Public Library of Sioux City is headquarters and administrative agency for the Siouxland Cooperative Regional Library System. hereinafter referred to as Siouxland Library System, as determined by the rules and regulations of the Iowa State Traveling Library, thereby qualifying for a grant of funds from said Iowa State Traveling Library, which grant is authorized by Section 303.19 of the 1966 Code of Iowa; and

WHEREAS the Public library of Laurens, Iowa, wishes to avail itself of the opportunity to participate in the Siouxland Library System and maintains a public library in the town of Laurens, Iowa, maintained at least in part by taxes levied only with respect to property located in the city or town of Laurens, Iowa,

NOW THEREFORE in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, it is agreed by and between the Public Library of Sioux City, Iowa, hereinafter referred to as Sioux City and the Public library of Laurens, Iowa, hereinafter referred to as the library as follows:

1. The library does hereby agree to join in participation with Sioux City in the operation of Siouxland Library System for the extension of library services to communities in western Iowa and to conform to such rules and regulations established by the Siouxland Library System, as may be necessary to maximize the grant to said Siouxland Library System from the Iowa State Traveling Library.
2. The library agrees not to decrease their local operating appropriation for public library services below the local operating appropriation for public library services in the second preceding fiscal year and to seek to secure maximum tax millage for public library services.
3. The Sioux City Public Library, as headquarters and administrative agency for the Siouxland Library System does hereby agree to furnish materials to the library and to deliver the same to the library under the Siouxland Library System program. The materials shall be allocated by Sioux City as headquarters and administrative agency of the program and shall be distributed to the library hereunder bears to the total consideration paid by all libraries participating with Sioux City in the Siouxland Library System.

4. The library hereby promises and agrees to pay unto Sioux City as the headquarters and administrative agency for the Siouxland Library System, a sum equal to fifteen percent (15%) of its total operating budget or a minimum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) including fifteen per cent (15%) of appropriations for library services made by the counties or townships outside the corporate limits of the city or town of Laurens. Said sum shall be paid in two equal installments, the first of such installments being due on or before June 1 of each year and the second of such installments becoming due and payable on or before November 1 of each year; except that, in any year when the library has not yet received its operating funds because tax receipts are not yet received, payment shall be deferred until said tax receipts are received.

5. The expenditure of funds contributed by the membership shall be as indicated in the annual budget adopted by the members of the Siouxland Library System.

6. This agreement shall continue from year to year, except that either party may terminate the same upon sixty (60) days notice in writing directed to the last known address of the other party. Deposit in the U.S. mail shall be considered delivery to the other party.

7. This agreement is entered into pursuant to the authority granted by Section 378.11 of the Code of Iowa and in the amendments thereto.

In witness whereof the parties have signed their names this 14th day of October, 19 70.

PUBLIC LIBRARY OF SIOUX CITY

By Robert Linn  
President, Board of Trustees

Laurens Public Library  
By J. H. Stettin  
President, Board of Trustees