

01-10-01 Philosophy

- a) The Investment Policy will ensure that the Library invests the Gift Fund in a manner which preserves the public and donors' trust, and which provides safety of principal; sufficient liquidity to meet the Library's needs; and maximize the return on eligible legal investment instruments, while conforming to all state statutes governing the investment of public funds.

01-10-02 Scope

- a) This Investment Policy applies to financial assets donated to the Lester Public Library.

01-10-03 Objectives

- a) Safety of principal is the primary objective of the investment program. Investments of the Gift Fund must be undertaken in a manner that seeks to ensure preservation of capital in the overall portfolio. A diversified portfolio is required in order that potential losses on individual securities do not exceed the income generated from the remainder of the portfolio.
- b) Sufficient liquidity of the portfolio is essential to enable the Library to meet all operating requirements which might be reasonably anticipated and to reposition assets as investment strategies and market conditions warrant.
- c) Attain a market rate of return considered reasonable under generally accepted market standards throughout budgetary and economic cycles; while taking into account the Library's risk constraints and the cash flow characteristics of the portfolio.

01-10-04 Authorized Financial Dealers and Institutions

- a) The Board of Trustees of the Lester Public Library shall select one or more institutions as its primary depository(ies). Eligible institutions shall be reexamined every three (3) years unless specifically exempted by Board resolution.

01-10-05 Authorized Signatures

- a) The Board of Trustees shall name the Library Director and the President of the Library Board of Trustees as co-signers to all investment transactions.

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