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Minutes of December 14, 1950

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mrs. Bartlett, others attending were Judge Marshall, Mrs. Holland, Mr. Belcher, Mrs. Strickland, Mr. Christian, and Mrs. Meador; also Dr. Herbert Williams.

The minutes of the November 9th meeting were approved as submitted to the members of the Board by mail.

Judge Marshall moved and Mrs. Strickland seconded payment of expenses covered by Checks #1865-1913 inclusive; also In School Counseling checks #101-117 inclusive.

The reports of activities for October were read and discussed by the Board.

A letter from the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners inclosing a copy of the resolution of the Board turning down the request of the Juvenile Welfare Board for the balance due the Juvenile Welfare Board was read and discussed. It was pointed out that the deficit of $1,798.88 resulted from the failure of the Board of County Commissioners to levy the 50¢ on each One Thousand Dollars of assessed valuation as required by the law setting up the Juvenile Welfare Board. The Board decided to make a further effort to clear this matter up before the new Commissioners take office the first of January, and members of the Board and the Director were requested to see members of the Board of County Commissioners and to write a letter to them requesting reconsideration of their action of November 14.

The Director read a letter regarding efforts to establish extension classes for social agencies and staff members. The letter indicated that the universities are unable to spare staff during this coming semester to teach special courses.

There was further consideration of the Child Guidance Clinic situation, and the Board decided that every effort should be made to work out agreements between the Child Guidance Clinic, the Juvenile Welfare Board, and the County Health Department for the supervision and support of the Clinic without requesting legislative changes in the Juvenile Welfare Board Act at the coming session of the Legislature.

There was a discussion of members for the advisory committees and a request made for additional names to be submitted to the Chairman of the Board. It was agreed that the membership should include some young people from high schools and colleges in the county.

Mrs. Holland and Dr. Williams reported on the recent White House Conference held at Washington, and told of the materials which will be available as a result of the discussions at this conference.

It was agreed to omit the December meeting of the Committee from the Board with the Director and Supervisor of the Child Welfare Unit of the District #4 Welfare Board in regard to the cases subsidized by the Juvenile Welfare Board.

The meeting adjourned for lunch. In the afternoon the Board listened to a report from Leonard Summers in regard to the juvenile delinquency situation among Negro children. It also heard a report from Spencer Albury Summers regarding the problems which the visiting teachers meet in working with the Negro children in the county.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned until January 11, 1951. The next meeting will be held in the St. Petersburg Office of the Board.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Meador

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