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Juvenile Welfare Board Meeting : 1952 : 11 : 13 : Minutes

Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County.
Meeting of November 13, 1952

Held in Clearwater

Present were Mrs. Strickland, chairman; Mr. Parry, secretary; Mrs. Bartlett; Judge Gardiner; Mrs. Holland; and Dr. Williams, Director, and Mrs. Jackson.

The minutes of the meeting of October 30, 1952, were read and approved with one addition to the fourth paragraph as follows: "Mrs. Holland seconded the motion which was carried."

**Motion:** Mrs. Bartlett moved that expenditures in the General Operating as indicated by checks No. 2878 - 2898 and in the School Counseling Fund as indicated by checks No. 331 - 334 be approved for payment. Mrs. Jackson seconded the motion which carried.

Judge Gardiner discussed the situation with reference to the boys in the city jail and the problem presented by failure of the Industrial School to accept the commitments promptly because of overcrowding. Mr. Parry reported on three boys in the St. Petersburg jail. He particularly stressed the fact that one boy was incarcerated with five grown men. It was brought out that this is against the law regarding confinement of juveniles. Mr. Parry also reported that Sheriff Todd Tucker had informed him there were separate quarters for juveniles, one for boys and one for girls in the County Jail and that these were available at once. Judge Gardiner stated he would transfer the three boys to the County Jail.

**Motion:** Mrs. Jackson made a motion approving Judge Gardiner's decision regarding the transfer of the boys from the City Jail to the County Jail juvenile section. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Holland and passed.

The Director read a letter to Mr. Lane of the Christian Science Committee on Publication setting forth the Juvenile Welfare Board's decision not to ask for a change in the foster Home and Day Nursery Licensing Law. This decision was in conformity with the opinion expressed by the Director of the County Health Department and was raised in the October 30 meeting of the Juvenile Welfare Board.

Dr. Williams discussed some of the material being collected for the annual report and stated that the report was now being prepared in tentative form.

The Director reported on a conference held with Mr. Christian, Dr. Voorhis, and Mrs. Dame in regard to clarification of the relationship between the school psychologist and the School Counseling Service with regard to the utilization of the office space and clerical help. He reported that an agreement had been reached for the use of the former office of Dr. Voorhis as a dictating and interviewing room for all members of the staff on a scheduled basis. The schedule calls for definite times for various members of the staff. An agreement has also been reached with regard to the use of the secretary for the time requested by Dr. Voorhis, namely one hour per day from 3:30 to 4:30 in the afternoon.
Judge Gardiner described the problem which he has encountered with regard to the display and sale of pornographic literature on the newsstands.

Motion: Mrs. Holland moved and Judge Gardiner seconded the motion that Mrs. Jackson head the committee to investigate this salacious literature and bring a report to the Board. The motion passed.

Members of the Board were to check on newsstands in various parts of the County.

The Board discussed the September activities report.

The meeting adjourned until the 11th of December as the next regular meeting date, November 27, is Thanksgiving.

Signature: Sidney S. Parry
Secretary