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Present were Mrs. Bartlett, Chairman, Mrs. Strickland, Secretary, Mr. Christian, Judge Gardiner, Mrs. Holland, and Mr. Parry. Also present was Dr. Williams, the Director.

The minutes of the May 1st meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Christian moved and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion that expenditures as shown by General Operating Checks 2615 - 2686 and checks in the School Counseling Fund Numbers 297 - 313 be approved for payment. The motion carried.

A request from the Child Welfare Unit of the State Welfare Board for consideration of damage to a foster home by one of the Juvenile Court boys was presented to the Board. (See letter of June 6 in file). After discussion Mr. Christian moved and Judge Gardiner seconded a motion that the Juvenile Welfare Board pay for repairs to the Beers home in the amount of $34.50, with a letter from the Board expressing appreciation for the services to the children of the County which these foster parents have been rendering. The motion carried.

Judge Gardiner moved and Mrs. Strickland seconded a motion that the City Social Service Division be reimbursed for payment of care for Mary Pease in the amount of $97.45. Also included in the motion was authorization to pay board and care for Deanna Chandler, subject to a report from the Children's Service Bureau regarding Deanna's progress during the summer and that efforts be made to find employment for her during the out-of-school period. A report on all this is to be made to the Board not later than October 1. The motion carried.

The Director reported that a Mongoloid child in care of the Child Welfare Unit, being subsidized by the Juvenile Welfare Board, had been sent to the hospital because of the delivery confinement of the foster mother. They indicated that it might be necessary to send the child to an institution at Satsuma, Florida until the child becomes old enough and can be accepted in the Florida Farm Colony. The Board authorized the Director to work out the best plan possible under the conditions and to use his best judgment in the case.

A letter from Mrs. Dame requesting a scholarship for Sandra Shelton was read to the Board. The Board expressed its interest in the case by recommending that action be delayed until it could be determined whether this interest in a scholarship continues after the girl has had some work experience in her present job. It was suggested that the case be reviewed in August and final action be taken at that time.

A letter from Dr. Voorhis to the Board expressing appreciation for sponsorship and support of the School Counseling Program was read. The Board suggested that acknowledgement be made by the chairman.

Judge Gardiner moved and Mr. Christian seconded a motion that the Director be authorized to employ Miss Rosanne Hagadorn as a replacement for Mrs. Trimble as secretary in the Board Office.
Dr. Williams reported to the Board on the Florida Conference of Social Welfare meeting in Tampa and described the meeting as a very successful one with excellent papers and reports, institutes, and discussions, with a record attendance.

Mr. Christian moved and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion to send the Director, Dr. Williams, to the Blue Ridge Institute for Southern Social Work Executives to be held at Blue Ridge the last part of July, with expenses paid.

A tentative plan for expansion of School Counseling Service to additional schools and a tentative agreement with the Psychological Counseling Inc., were presented to the Board for consideration. Mrs. Strickland moved and Mr. Parry seconded a motion that the plan and agreement as presented be approved. The motion carried.

It was agreed to hold the next two meetings of the Juvenile Welfare Board in Clearwater. It was further agreed to hold one meeting in July on the second Thursday, July 10, and one meeting in August on the Fourth Thursday, August 28.

The Juvenile Welfare Board accepted the request from the Board of County Commissioners to meet with them in reference to the Budget, and the date was set for Monday, June 16. The meeting is to be held in Clearwater at 10 A.M.

The meeting adjourned.

Kathleen Strickland