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Meeting of August 12, 1954
Held in Clearwater

The regular meeting of the Juvenile Welfare Board was held in Clearwater on August 12, 1954.

Present: Mrs. Baya Harrison, Chairman; Mrs. John Strickland, Secretary pro temp; Mrs. Elizabeth Skinner Jackson; Judge William G. Gardiner; and the Director, Dr. Herbert D. Williams.

The Minutes of the July 8, 1954 Meeting were approved as submitted to the membership by mail.

Motion: Expenditures
Judge Gardiner moved and Mrs. Jackson seconded a motion that expenditures covered by checks #3622 through #3664 in the General Operating Account be approved for payment. The motion carried.

A request from the Juvenile Court for support of Carol Jean and Raymond Craib was read.

Motion: Support of Craib children
Judge Gardiner moved and Mrs. Jackson seconded the motion that the action of the Director in approving emergency care of these children be approved by the Board, and that the support payments be continued, not to exceed 90 days, and a report be made to the Board on the status of the case prior to the expiration of that time. The motion carried.

There was a discussion of the financial statements for July, in which the Director pointed out the need at a later date for transferral of funds to cover "Foster Care" needs.

There was a discussion of the number of children in foster care for July, and expenditures for foster care for the period October 1, 1953 through July 31, 1954.

A letter from the Children's Service Bureau regarding Johnnie Brodnax was read.

Motion: Support of Johnnie Brodnax
Mrs. Jackson moved and Judge Gardiner seconded a motion that Johnnie's support be continued while he is at the Lutheran Haven, and that payments be continued to the Children's Service Bureau at the regular rate. The motion carried.

A letter from Judge Gardiner suggesting support of hospital beds for dependent and delinquent children from allotted foster home retainer fees was read and discussed. The Board requested further information in regard to the willingness of the hospitals to provide such service and the amounts to be charged. The matter was held in abeyance pending further information on these two points.

The Director reported on a meeting of the Florida Children's Commission, held at Fort Lauderdale on July 12 and 13, 1954.

The Director submitted a report from the Juvenile Court on new and reopened cases of delinquency and referrals for the first nine months of the fiscal year.

Activities reports for May, June, and July were submitted and discussed.
The meeting adjourned until the fourth Thursday of the month, August 26, 1954.

Kathleen E. Strickland
Secretary, pro tem