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Meeting of November 16, 1955

Held in Clearwater

The regular meeting of the Juvenile Welfare Board was held on November 16, 1955 in the Court House in Clearwater.

Present: Mrs. Elizabeth Skinner Jackson, Chairman; Mrs. John Strickland, Secretary; Mrs. Baya Harrison; Mrs. H. W. Holland; Commissioner Charles R. Fischer; Judge Charles O. Parks, Jr.; and the Director, Dr. Herbert D. Williams. Also present was Dr. George H. Finck.

The minutes of the October 13, 1955 meeting were approved as submitted to the membership by mail.

Motion: Mrs. Harrison moved and Judge Parks seconded a motion, which carried, that expenditures for October 30 and November 15, 1955 as listed on checks #4178 through #4214 in the General Operating Account and checks #29 and #30 in the Trustee Account be approved for payment.

The financial reports for October were reviewed and discussed.

The report of children in foster care for October showed 62 children in care for 1720 days at a cost of \$3,815.05. Contributions by parents and relatives and court collections in the amount of \$442.90 reduced the cost of foster care to \$54.39 per child.

The Director reported that efforts were still being made to secure the consent of the legal father for the adoption of Baby Girl Frazier.

Personnel reports of Child Guidance Clinic staff on the payroll of the Juvenile Welfare Board were distributed for the information of the Board.

The efforts of the Director to secure the cooperation of the United Churches in retaining Mrs. Dame for marriage and family counseling were described. It was pointed out that Dr. Finck's salary item was not used in October which leaves some money available for marriage and family counseling.

Motion: Mrs. Harrison moved and Judge Parks seconded a motion that Mrs. Dame's salary be paid to the extent of the money remaining uncommitted in the marriage and family counseling item. The motion carried.

The published report of the Kefauver Subcommittee Hearings in Nashville were shown to the Board. It was pointed out that the Juvenile Welfare Board received 33 pages of the total space used. The Board expressed its interest and its desire for extra copies.

Dr. Williams explained that the marriage and family counselors will need chairs in the office downstairs.

Motion:
Purchase of
furniture

Mrs. Holland moved and Mr. Fischer seconded a motion authorizing the Director to purchase such furniture as is needed. The motion carried.

A letter from the Children's Service Bureau requesting support of Robert Ryan was read and explained by the Director.

Motion:
Support of
Robert Ryan

Judge Parks moved and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion that the Juvenile Welfare Board pay for the foster care of Robert Ryan on a temporary basis pending working out of more permanent plans.

Judge Parks gave the Juvenile Court reports for August and discussed trends and developments in the Court. He reported that the backlog of cases had been reduced and that the work was on a current basis in the upper part of the county.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

The next meeting of the Board will be held on December 14, 1955 at 9:30 A.M. in the Juvenile Court offices.

Kathleen E. Strickland

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 Secretary