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Meeting of February 22, 1951

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bartlett with the following members present: Mrs. Bartlett, Mrs. Holland, Judge Marshall, Mrs. Strickland, and Mr. Wick. Also present was Dr. Williams, Director.

The minutes of the meeting of February 8 were approved as submitted to the members by mail.

Upon motion of Judge Marshall, seconded by Mrs. Holland, expenditures from the General Fund covered by checks 1981 through 2000 inclusive and school counseling checks 139 through 144 inclusive were approved by unanimous vote.

Activities reports as submitted by the various agencies affiliated with the Juvenile Welfare Board were discussed. It was suggested that the Juvenile Court submit for the next meeting some reports on one or two of their cases of white children.

The Board entered into a discussion with Sheriff Todd Tucker regarding the situation in reference to children being admitted to "jock joints", bars, and other places where liquor is served. Sheriff Tucker indicated that the law gave him no right to do anything in such cases. He would like to see all such places closed on Sundays. He would like very much to see some method devised to keep children away from places serving beer, wine, and liquor, especially night and on Sunday.

The Board also discussed with Sheriff Tucker the need for keeping juveniles under 18 from contact with youthful offenders from 18 to 21 and from adult offenders over 21. Sheriff Tucker expressed his willingness to bring about such separation insofar as the County Jail was concerned.

A letter from the Child Guidance Clinic in regard to Juvenile Court referrals was read to the Board and ordered filed in the Board's records.

The Board approved purchase of the Negro Edition of the St. Petersburg TIMES for the boys at Marianna.

It was announced to the Board that the meeting with the Legislative Delegation had been changed from the 28th to the 27th. The meeting is to be held in the City Hall in St. Petersburg beginning at 8 o'clock.

A letter from Mr. Christian regarding support of the In School Counseling Service by the Board of Education to the extent of $1,500 per year after July 1st was read. This support is subject to the approval of the Budget Commission.

A letter from the Chief, Community Services Branch, National Institute of Mental Health indicating that the National Mental Health Act makes no restrictions as to who shall use the funds for Child Guidance Clinic funds, but indicating that this is a decision of the State Health Department was read to the Board.

Mrs. Bartlett reported on a meeting of the Advisory Committees of the Juvenile Welfare Board.

Dr. Williams reported on his trip to Orlando in connection with the Community Welfare Planning Council of Orlando and gave comparisons of delinquency rates and other items which showed Pinellas County in a favorable light as compared with Orange County.
Mrs. Holland moved and Mr. Wick seconded a motion for the Director to purchase a tape recording machine to assist in improving records in the Juvenile Welfare Board and the Juvenile Court.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Nancy Meador