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## Minutes of November 29, 1951

Present were Mrs. Bartlett, Chairman, Mrs. Strickland, Mrs. Meador, Mr. Christian, and Judge Gardiner. Also present was Dr. Williams.

The Board discussed the Activities Reports for October, especially the caseload and mileage of Miss Lovely. Mr. Patrick was also called in for a report on Miss Lovely's activities and her need for so much traveling with a small caseload. Mr. Patrick reported that Miss Lovely was much more cooperative now than formerly, and that he thought she was doing a better job. He was asked to report back to the Board from time to time regarding her work and it was pointed out to him that the Board's interest was occasioned by his and Judge Marshall's reference to Miss Lovely's small caseload and lack of cooperation. Mr. Patrick indicated that he was now listing all complaints and making out face sheets on them whether they were official or unofficial, and whether they could be settled in short order or required longer effort on the part of the court staff. He stated that dependent cases were beginning to increase. The Board expressed its feeling that Miss Lovely failed to plan her trips to get the most work done for her mileage, and that she was spending too much time driving. Mr. Patrick reported that he was holding staff meetings each week, and it was pointed out that that might be a good time to discuss the problem of better organization of field trips.

The minutes of the November 13 meeting were read and approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Christian and seconded by Mrs. Meador that expenditures in the General Fund as described in checks 2393-2407 inclusive and expenditures in the In-School Counseling Fund as covered by checks 239-243 inclusive be approved for payment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed the question raised by Mr. Shaw regarding the budgeting of funds received from special contributors. It was suggested that the Director see Mr. Sauls regarding this.

The Director reported that four ping pong tables and some equipment have been purchased for the Youth Center and was on display on the night of the formal opening of the Center. This was in accordance with the action of the Juvenile Welfare Board on November 13.

Dr. Williams reported that Mr. Pat Flanagan, head of the Public Relations and Publicity Department of the Florida Power Corporation, had gone over the Fourth Annual Report and given it careful editing. The Board requested that Dr. Williams write a letter to Mr. Flanagan for the Board.

Mr. Christian agreed to the use of the public school binding machine to bind some of the reports of the Juvenile Welfare Board in order to make them more attractive and more durable. He suggested that a picture for a cover would be a good idea for a cover in future reports.

The secretary, Mrs. Strickland, was asked to write a letter to Mrs. Holland expressing the Board's hope for a speedy recovery from her illness.

The Director reported that the Mothers' Christian Study Club Council had agreed to having the Board utilize the \$50.00 previously paid for the Mongoloid child, in payment for funeral and hospital expenses.

The Director reported on the Florida Conference of Social Welfare and described the interesting program which was held at this conference in Miami Beach, November 14-17. The Director also reported on his conference with Mr. Ferguson of the U. S. Children's Bureau at Miami Beach and of plans made for the Director to go to Atlanta for a conference with the Georgia Commissioner of Welfare and the Regional Director of the U. S. Children's Bureau on December 5.

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held in St. Petersburg, December 13.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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