Meeting held in Clearwater
March 3, 1960

PRESENT: Reverend Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. John Strickland, Secretary; Mrs. Baya Harrison; Juvenile Court Judge Charles O. Parks, Jr.; and County Commissioner R. Hosey Wick. Also present: Dr. George H. Finck, Director.

The minutes of the February 4th meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Wick, seconded by Mrs. Harrison, and passed.

MOTION

Expenditures

Mr. Wick moved, and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which passed, to approve the expenditures as listed: check #6735 through #6768 dated February 15, 1960; and check #6769 through #6974 dated February 29, 1960.

The financial statements for the month of February were reviewed by the Board. Mr. Wick moved, and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried, that these reports be received and filed.

The report of children in foster care was also reviewed by the Board. Dr. Finck read a letter from the Child Welfare Unit of the State Department of Public Welfare giving reports from the Brown Schools about Linda Wohnsen and Richard Cody. The report stated that Linda Wohnsen had been making excellent progress and would be ready for another kind of placement, either in a boarding school or in a foster home, sometime this summer if other conditions could be satisfactorily worked out. The letter reported also that, while Richard Cody had made some progress, it was too early to state when plans could be worked out for him. Mr. Wick moved, and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried, that the substance of this report be incorporated in the minutes.

Dr. Finck reported that $24,159.00 in tax funds had been invested in United States Treasury Notes due on September 1, 1960, with an approximate yield of 4\% per cent.

The Reverend Coleman announced the appointment of a committee to review the 1960-61 budget. He appointed Mrs. Holland, Mr. Christian, and himself to serve on this committee with Dr. Finck as a consultant.

Dr. Finck explained that Florence Crittenton Home had once more requested the use of our services in a group counseling program with the girls who are in the Home. Preliminary discussion was held with Mrs. Dorothy Ripper, Superintendent of the Home, and Mr. Smith has undertaken to meet with these girls once a week for an hour and a half in group counseling sessions. Two of these sessions already have been held and the response appears to be very satisfying.

Dr. Finck stated that over the past year discussions have been held with the Health Department about the possibility of holding classes for the mothers of children in the well-baby clinic. Since Mr. Smith's arrival, it has been possible to devote some time to planning for cooperative arrangements in dealing with approximately nine different classes. The subjects to be discussed would be: growth and development on three different ages and stages levels by Miss Jefferson and Miss McDowell of the License Board; feeding by a Home Economist; the use of money by Family and Children's Service; emotional health by a staff member of the Child Guidance Clinic; family relationships and discipline by Dr. Finck or Mr. Smith; safety and accident prevention by Mrs. Barbara Smith, Assistant Director of Nursing in the Health De-
partment; preventive health and immunization by one of the pediatricians in the clinic. After the Board discussed this program, Mrs. Harrison moved, and Mr. Wick seconded a motion which passed to approve the participation of the Juvenile Welfare Board in this program.

Dr. Finck read to the Board a letter from Mrs. Elizabeth Skinner Jackson, a former Board member, about the Annual Report. Mr. Wick moved, and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried, that the Board acknowledge Mrs. Jackson's letter and express their appreciation for her continued interest. Dr. Finck also mentioned other persons who had written their comments on the Annual Report. He stated that a recent letter was received from the Citizens Coordinating Committee for Children in New York City inquiring about the development of inter-agency agreements in Pinellas County. The letter stated that the Committee had been referred to us by the United States Children's Bureau.

The memorandum from the Community Welfare Council of Lower Pinellas County was read about their annual award. The Board members agreed that, if they had any nominations for this award, they would get in touch with Dr. Finck, and the subject would be brought up again at the April meeting of the Board.

Dr. Finck announced that he had received a citation from the United Fund of Greater St. Petersburg for his work on the Budget Committee.

MOTION

Approval of expenses for Mrs. Terrill to attend the Southern Association for Children Under Six, Miami, Florida, April 21 - 23.

In the discussion of the Activities Reports, Dr. Finck described how the County Commissioners had called a meeting to discuss a detention home. He stated that he had offered to arrange for Mr. Fred Ward of the National Probation and Parole Association of Austin, Texas, to write to the Commissioners regarding the cost of a survey, the length of time it would require, how soon it could be done, and what aspects it would cover. Judge Parks and Mr. Wick also discussed this meeting.

Dr. Finck also announced that he had been asked to speak at the meeting of the State and Municipal Youth Commission Staffs in Washington, D.C. on March 25. He has been asked to give a thirty to forty-five minute address on the function, financing, and program of the Juvenile Welfare Board. This meeting was called by the U.S. Children's Bureau.

Since there was no further business the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of the Juvenile Welfare Board will be on Thursday, April 7, at 9:30.

Kathleen Strickland
Secretary