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Meeting in Clearwater

September 3, 1964

PRESENT: Judge William A. Patterson, Chairman; Mrs. Baya Harrison, who acted as Secretary; Mrs. Glen Keys; Mr. Floyd T. Christian, Superintendent of Public Instruction; and Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr. Also present: Dr. George H. Finck, Director.

Judge Patterson welcomed Mrs. Keys as new member to the Board recently appointed by Governor Farris Bryant.

MOTION Approval of Minutes of June 4 Meeting.

Dr. Coleman moved, and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried, to approve the minutes of the June 4 meeting.

MOTION Formal Passage of Expenditures for June, July and August.

Dr. Coleman moved, and Mr. Christian seconded a motion which carried, to pass formally on expenditures for June, checks #9581 through #9603 inclusive; for July, checks #9616 through #9662 inclusive; and for August, checks #9663 through #9705 as previously approved by four members of the Board by telephone.

MOTION Approval of Checks for September.

Mr. Christian moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried, to approve the expenditures for the month of September, checks #9706 through #9730.

MOTION Approval of Salary Checks for September.

Mr. Christian moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried, to approve the payment of salaries as listed for September on the condition of the completion of satisfactory service.

The financial reports and statements for June, July, and August were reviewed by the Board.

MOTION Expenditure of $6,600 Balance of Funds in Foster Care and Transfer of $6,975 from Contingency to Foster Care.

Mr. Christian moved, and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried, to approve the request of the State Department of Public Welfare for additional funds for foster care: $6,600 balance in Foster Care and transfer of $6,975 from Contingency to Foster Care in order that the total expenditure of $13,575 might be made.

MOTION Transfer of $360 from Contingency Account to Rent.

Mrs. Harrison moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried, to transfer the amount of $360 from Contingency to Rent in order that additional expenditures might be made.

The reports of Children in Foster Care for the months of May, June, and July were discussed by the Board.

Dr. Finck read a report on Challe Sue Valle from the Brown Schools, and also a report from Child Welfare Unit on Janell Richardson.

MOTION Approval of $150 Board Rate for Sandra Hine.

Mr. Christian moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried, to approve the request for $150 board rate for Sandra Hine at the House of the Good Shepherd, Washington, D.C., and for the payment of $25.00 psychiatric examination fee.
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Dr. Coleman moved, and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried, to approve the payment of $100 board rate for Martha Fleming at Hancock Home for Retarded, Lutz, Florida.

Mr. Christian moved, and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried, to approve the payment of $100 board rate for Martha Fleming at Hancock Home for Retarded, Lutz, Florida.

Mr. Christian moved, and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried, to continue the payments for foster care for Michael Peters so long as he continues to make satisfactory progress at the Bob Jones Academy.

Mrs. Keys moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried, to approve a special board rate of $100 a month for Sheri Michael because of the unusual strain on the foster mother for her care.

Mr. Christian moved, and Mrs. Keys seconded a motion which carried, to approve the payment of special camp fees of $60.00 a week for William Chesebrough for a period of three weeks.

Mrs. Harrison moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried, to approve the request for continued foster care for Paul Markiewics so long as he continues to make satisfactory progress in school.

Mr. Christian moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried, to approve the request for continued foster care for James Hornbuckle so long as he continues to make satisfactory progress in school.

Mr. Christian moved, and Mrs. Keys seconded a motion which carried, to approve the request for continued foster care for Robert Stevenson for an additional three months in order that plans might be made for his employment and rehabilitation.

Dr. Coleman moved, and Mr. Christian seconded a motion which carried, to approve the request for continued foster care for Thomas Chesebrough.

Mrs. Harrison moved, and Mrs. Keys seconded a motion which carried, to approve the continuation of foster care for Joseph Richardson.
Dr. Finck explained to the members of the Board the ruling of the Attorney General which had previously been sent to them, and also the opinion of Mr. Leonard Cooperman in regard to the Attorney General's ruling. There was considerable discussion as to what course of action should be pursued by the Board in view of the Attorney General's ruling that all items in the Juvenile Welfare Board budget were subject to modification by the Board of County Commissioners.

MOTION
Draft of an Amendment to Juvenile Welfare Board Act

Mr. Christian moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried, to request Mr. Leonard Cooperman to draft an amendment to the Juvenile Welfare Board Act for submission to the 1965 Legislature which would insure again the fiscal independence of the Juvenile Welfare Board. This amendment is to be distributed to the Board and also to all candidates for the Legislature in order that their opinions concerning this may be reported to the Juvenile Welfare Board.

Dr. Finck reported on the beginning of the Homemaker Service by the Visiting Nurse Association and on the need of this organization for an advance of funds sufficient to take care of the families with children who are in need of this service.

MOTION
Advance of Funds to Visiting Nurse Association

Dr. Coleman moved, and Mr. Christian seconded a motion which carried, to advance the sum of $1,000 monthly to the Visiting Nurse Association to be used for families with children certified to be in need of Homemaker service.

Dr. Finck reported that he had taken part in several meetings concerning the Economic Opportunities Act of 1964, and also on the formation of a non-profit corporation known as Suncoast Progress, Inc. Dr. Finck reported that he had been asked to serve on the Board of Directors and on the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors.

MOTION
Approval for Dr. Finck to Participate in Anti-Poverty Program

Mr. Christian moved, and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried, to approve participation of Dr. Finck in the local work on the Economic Opportunities Act and to take part in Suncoast Progress, Inc., the non-profit vehicle designed to get the Act started.

MOTION
Payment of Expenses for Dr. Finck, Mrs. Reiner, and Mr. Smith

Dr. Coleman moved, and Mr. Christian seconded a motion which carried, to approve the payment of necessary expenses for Dr. Finck, Mrs. Reiner, and Mr. Smith to attend the meeting of the National Council on Family Relations, Miami, Florida, October 8 - 10, 1964.

Dr. Finck reported on various special staff activities: publication in the July, 1964, issue of Crime and Delinquency (attached); letter in Marriage and the Family; program for Juvenile Court Judges, October 30, 1964; Community Welfare Council training program in Pastoral Care, September 15, 1964; acceptance of staff paper for meeting of the American Orthopsychiatric Association, March, 1965, in New York City; and Mrs. Reiner's Institute for Community Council of Houston, Texas, December 1964, on better planning between agencies dealing with children and families.
The Activities Reports for June, July, and August were reviewed by the Board.

Since there was no further business the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting of the Juvenile Welfare Board will be held on Thursday, October 1, in the County Office Building in Clearwater.

Virginia Harrison
Acting Secretary