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MINUTES OF APRIL 21, 1949

The Pinellas County Juvenile Welfare Board met at 9:30 a.m., April 21, in Clearwater, with Miss Phillips, Judge Marshall, Mr. Belcher, Mrs. Bartlett and Director Williams present. In the absence of Mrs. Holland, chairman, Mr. Belcher presided.

The minutes of March 17 were approved.

Motion:
Bills  
Judge Marshall moved that bills paid and to be paid, totaling $8051.75, including $50.00 travel expense for Mr. Patrick, be approved and paid. Miss Phillips seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion:
Salary increase for M. Johnson  
Mrs. Bartlett moved and Miss Phillips seconded that Miller Johnson's salary be increased from $2,400 to $2,700 a year, beginning April 1. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion:
Drawing account for C.W.U.  
Miss Phillips moved that the original minimum monthly amount of $1500.00 provided as a drawing account to the District Welfare Board be increased to $2000.00 Judge Marshall seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Williams presented a report on a study of the Juvenile Face Sheets and Statistical Reports submitted by various workers in the Juvenile Court for the period of October 1, 1948 thru March 31, 1949. Judge Marshall moved that this report be received and filed in the Board's records. Miss Phillips seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Bartlett suggested that complimentary letters received by the Board from various important agencies in other states on the Board's reports and accomplishments be used by the Public Relations Committee.

The Board approved a request from Judge Marshall to pay the Children's Service Bureau for the care of the Rhubottom infant while the Court is making investigations.

Dr. Williams reported that Mrs. Dame had arranged with the Mothers' Christian Study Club to send a surprise package to each girl at the Ocala School each month; had obtained $50.00 from the Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club for some unmet need; and had gotten the Pilot Club to continue its interest in Kathryn Gossett.

Mrs. Bartlett asked why staff meetings had not been held and Judge Marshall offered to speak to Mr. Patrick about the matter.
Legislative changes were then discussed. Dr. Williams said that Mr. Leonard Cooperman had talked with the legislators on the parts pertaining to the Welfare Board Act and that they were in accord with continuing the 1/2 millage, on omitting the section regarding insane juveniles, substituting a member of the County Commissioners for the County Judge as a member of the Board. Judge Marshall said that the changes pertaining to the Court section of the Act had been taken up with the County Commissioners for them to draw up the bills; namely, that the Juvenile Welfare Board in conjunction with the County Commissioners recommend to the Governor for appointment the Probation Officer with the salary as fixed by law; that the Juvenile Welfare Board appoint the assistants with qualifications prescribed by the Board, at a salary range from $2700.00 to $3600.00; and that the salary of the Juvenile Court Judge be increased to $4800.00.

The meeting adjourned till May 12.