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Meeting in Clearwater

February 1, 1968

PRESENT: Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. Roy M. Speer, Secretary; Mrs. H. W. Holland; and County Commissioner Charles E. Rainey. Also present: Dr. George H. Finck, Director; and Mr. Bert Muller, Director, Peter Pan School for Retarded Children.

Dr. Coleman welcomed Commissioner Rainey to the Board.

MOTION

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Holland moved, and Mrs. Speer seconded a motion which carried, to approve the minutes of the January 11th meeting.

Mr. Muller described to the Board the present operations and plans of the Peter Pan School for Retarded Children and the Pinellas Association for Retarded Children. He stated that the budget of the P.A.R.C. had grown from \$14,000 in 1963 to \$114,000 in 1967 of which \$26,000 came from the United Fund and \$10,825.80 from the Juvenile Welfare Board. Following the sale of Peter Pan School in 1967, the children are receiving day care at St. Luke's Methodist Church and Palm Lake Christian Church with the organization operating from offices in the Security Federal Building. Mr. Muller showed plans and pictures of the new building at 3100 - 75th Street North in St. Petersburg which will contain 11,000 square feet. It is expected that the building will be completed about May 1968 and that there will remain after completion a \$100,000 mortgage. At the present time, there are nearly 50 children in day care.

In connection with the new building, the organization is constructing two rooms with 16 beds for short-term overnight care. Mr. Muller described short-term care as a crisis situation lasting no longer than four months. He said that some of the bed space might be used for older retardates.

Mr. Muller said that he is currently paying \$7800 a year for a caseworker to work with the families of the children. He estimated that the costs of providing day care were about \$1000 a year per child. At the present time, the maximum charge for the services of the Peter Pan School is \$15.00 a week or \$780 a year.

Mr. Muller stated that the new State Regional Center for the Retarded would be built in St. Petersburg and would serve a five-county area. He hoped that such a center would provide for information and referral, for a social service department, for program development in remote areas, for a sheltered workshop, and for emergency short-term care.

MOTION

Approval of Expenditures for January

Mrs. Holland moved, and Mrs. Speer seconded a motion which carried, to approve the expenditures for January: Checks #2402 through #2404 dated January 16; Checks #2405 through #2445 dated January 31; Checks #2446 and #2447 dated January 24; and Checks #2448 through #2469 dated February 1, 1968; and Checks #2470 and #2471 dated February 29, 1968.

MOTION

Approval of Salaries for February

Commissioner Rainey moved, and Mrs. Speer seconded a motion which carried, to approve the salaries as budgeted for February 1968 on the condition of completion of satisfactory service.

The financial report for the month of January 1968 was reviewed by the Board. Dr. Finck announced that the investments in Certificates of Deposit had been completed, and the total of \$300,000 had been used for this purpose in December 1967 and January 1968. He announced also that an office chair costing \$134.27 and a new desk costing \$99.50 had been purchased for a total expenditure of \$233.77 of the \$240 approved by the Board.

The report of Children in Foster Care for the month of December 1967 was reviewed by the Board. Dr. Finck read a report on Willie Wade Harvey, Jr., which announced that foster care would no longer be needed for him and that the program of medical treatment and vocational placement had been completed.

MOTION

Foster Care for
Christine Blackshire

Mrs. Speer moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried, to approve the payment of foster care for Christine Blackshire at the Young Women's Community Club at the rate of \$85 a month for room and board. A request for a report in six months will also be made.

MOTION

Approval of Necessary
Expenditures for Insti-
tute, Tampa, Florida,
February 14

Commissioner Rainey moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried, to approve the request for the payment of necessary expenses for the Marriage and Family Counseling staff to attend the Institute on Family Therapy in Tampa, February 14.

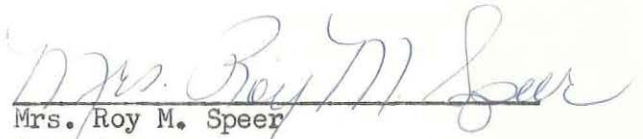
MOTION

Approval of Expenses
for Staff to Attend
NASW Institute, Tampa,
Florida, March 1

Commissioner Rainey moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried, to approve the payment of necessary expenses for the Marriage and Family Counseling staff to attend the Institute of the National Association of Social Workers and the Florida Federation of Social Workers in Tampa, March 1.

The Activities Reports for the month of January 1968 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 Thursday, March 7th, in the County Office Building, Clearwater.


Mrs. Roy M. Speer
Secretary