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MEETING IN CLEARWATER
March 7, 1968

PRESENT: Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. Charles S. Baker, who acted as Secretary; Mrs. H. W. Holland; Juvenile Court Judge Robert A. Halvorsen; and County Commissioner Charles E. Rainey. Also present: Dr. George H. Finck, Director; and Mr. William E. Neet, Marriage and Family Counselor.

MOTION
Approval of Minutes
Mrs. Holland moved, and Judge Halvorsen seconded a motion which carried, to approve the minutes of the February 1st meeting.

MOTION
Approval of Expenditures for February
Commissioner Rainey moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried, to approve the expenditures for February: Checks #2472 through #2513 dated February 29; Checks #2514 through #2551 dated March 7, and Checks #2552 and #2553 dated March 29, 1968.

MOTION
Approval of Salaries for March
Judge Halvorsen moved, and Commissioner Rainey seconded a motion which carried, to approve the salaries as budgeted for March 1968 on the condition of completion of satisfactory service.

The financial report for the month of February 1968 was reviewed and discussed by the Board. Dr. Finck reported that a new typewriter costing $257.50 had been purchased through the Board of Public Instruction. He requested permission to sell the old typewriter.

MOTION
Approval of Sale of 1958 Underwood Electric Typewriter
Commissioner Rainey moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried, to grant permission to sell the 1958 Underwood Electric Typewriter for $25.00.

The report of Children in Foster Care for the month of January 1968 was reviewed by the Board. Dr. Finck pointed out that expenditures for foster care were $1,658.59 in excess of the allocation and that this increase was due to the raise in foster boarding home rates for children of teen age.

MOTION
Approval of Continuation of Foster Care for Challe Sue Valery
Mrs. Holland moved, and Mrs. Baker seconded a motion which carried, to approve the continuation of foster care for Challe Sue Valery at the Brown Schools beyond her 17th birthday on 1/25/68 to the end of the school year in June and to approve the increase in the foster care as of 1/1/68 from $480 to $585 a month.

MOTION
Payment of Summer School Tuition for Marnie Keihl
Commissioner Rainey moved, and Judge Halvorsen seconded a motion which carried, to approve the payment of $100 for summer school tuition at the St. Petersburg Junior College for Marnie Keihl.

Dr. Finck read a letter from Mr. G. C. Neill, Director, District #7, State Department of Public Welfare, expressing thanks to the Juvenile Welfare Board for permitting Mrs. Rosemary Seal to use space in our office for the State adoption services.

MOTION
Board Representative for Child Guidance Clinic Board
Commissioner Rainey moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried, to rename Mrs. Roy M. Speer as the Board Representative to the Child Guidance Clinic Board.
MOTION

Revision of Policy on the Accumulation of Annual Leave Earned

Commissioner Rainey moved, and Judge Halvorsen seconded a motion which carried, to change the policy in regard to the accumulation of annual leave earned to read: "Annual leave not used during the year in which it is earned may be accumulated subject to the following limitations, (1) accumulated annual leave shall not exceed six weeks; (2) annual leave earned in excess of maximum accumulation stipulated must be used within 90 days or it shall be forfeited; (3) earned and unused annual leave up to six weeks will be paid for when the employee leaves the staff."

Dr. Finck discussed with the members of the Board the final report of the audit of the accounts of the Juvenile Welfare Board, October 1, 1958 through September 30, 1966. It was agreed that a conference would be held with the County Attorney and the County Manager to discuss ways of dealing with the questions raised by the report and that a report of this conference would be brought back to the Juvenile Welfare Board for the April meeting.

Dr. Finck reported on the decision of the Visiting Nurse Board to terminate the Homemaker Service by September 30, 1968 because of the great demands made on their staff by the Medicare program. He stated that he had entered into preliminary discussions with the State Department of Public Welfare to expand their housekeeper service to meet some of the needs of this program. If the State Department uses their State and Federal funds for housekeeper service instead of for foster care, the Juvenile Welfare Board could then increase its foster care allocation to supply the deficiency.

Dr. Finck announced that for the seventh consecutive year the staffs of the Juvenile Welfare Board and the License Board had received the United Fund Award for Outstanding Citizenship.

The Twentieth Annual Report was presented to the Board. Dr. Announced that the 1250 reports and printed envelopes would cost $100.

Dr. Finck reported on the Family Therapy Institute held in Tampa on February 14, 1968 and said that the family used in the live interview were the clients of Dr. Raymond L. Edwards whose interviews were heard on tape by the Board last summer.

Dr. Finck presented Mr. William E. Neet, Marriage and Family Counselor, who will be working with the Community Day Nurseries North and South, and with the Happy Workers Day Nursery as a member of the marriage and family counseling staff of the Juvenile Welfare Board. Mr. Neet spoke briefly to the Board.

The Activities Reports for the month of February 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, April 11th, in the County Office Building, Clearwater.

Mrs. Charles S. Baker
Acting Secretary