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JUVENILE WELFARE BOARD
Meeting in Clearwater, May 7, 1959

PRESENT: The Rev. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. John Strickland, Secretary; Mrs. Baya Harrison, Mr. Charles R. Fischer, Juvenile Court Judge Charles O. Parks, Jr. Also present: Dr. George H. Finck, Director.

The minutes of the April 2, 1959, meeting were approved on a motion by Mrs. Harrison, seconded by Judge Parks, and passed.

MOTION Expenditures
Mrs. Harrison moved and Judge Parks seconded a motion which passed, to approve the expenditures listed on checks #6134 through #6138, dated April 2, 1959, and #6139 through #6164, dated April 15, 1959, and #6165 through #6197, dated April 30, 1959.

The financial statements for the month of April, 1959, were reviewed by the Board. The Board instructed Dr. Finck to write a letter to Mrs. Mabel Becker expressing the thanks of the Board for her valuable service. The financial report on children in foster care was also reviewed by the Board.

The Budget for the fiscal year 1959-1960 was presented to the Board along with the explanation of the budget items. The Budget Committee had reviewed all the expenditures and submitted the budget as its recommendation. Dr. Finck explained the various items. Mr. Fischer suggested that a separate budget for the License Board be also submitted on the basis that the Legislative Delegation might pass the revised License Board Act. He suggested that this budget be set up for $20,000.00 since only 95% of this sum would be available with the difference between the License Board budget of $17,486.00 and 95% of $20,000.00 to be listed as a contingency fund.

MOTION 1959-60 Budget
Mrs. Harrison moved and Judge Parks seconded a motion which passed to accept and approve the budget as presented.

MOTION Increase in Petty Cash Funds
Mr. Fischer moved and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried to increase the amount in petty cash from $25.00 to $50.00.

MOTION Correction of $230.00 charged to "Other Services and Emergencies"
In order to correct a previous budgetary item as suggested by the State Auditor during a recent visit, Judge Parks moved and Mr. Fischer seconded a motion which carried to transfer $230.00 (paid in December, 1958) from Other Services and Emergencies to Foster Care, and to authorize the payment of this sum from the latter account. This payment was made in behalf of the Flanagan children.
The Activities Reports were discussed by the Board and current staff activities were explained by Dr. Finck. Dr. Finck reported on the recent meetings of the American Association of Marriage Counselors and the Groves Conference, and the Conference of Social Welfare in Miami. At this last meeting Dr. Finck was elected Director of the Florida Conference. Dr. Finck reported that many persons at these meetings expressed great interest in the Juvenile Welfare Board and in our services to children, and number of requests for copies of our annual report were filled.

Mr. John Locke, Director of the County Welfare Board, appeared before the Board to call attention to a statement he had received from Anclote Manor, requesting payment of about $1,200.00 for the treatment of Robert Hames. This child has been in foster care and was sent to Anclote pending his commitment to the Florida School for Boys. The commitment was not accepted by Mr. Dozier because of the boy's epileptic condition and he is being held in Anclote Manor at the cost to the County of $25.00 a day.

**MOTION**

Residential Treatment Care for Robert Robitschek

Judge Parks moved and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried that application be made for Robert Robitschek at the Brown Schools, with expenses to be shared by the Juvenile Welfare Board and the County.

Since there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of the Juvenile Welfare Board will be on Thursday, June 4, 1959.

Kathleen E. Strickland
Secretary