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JUVENILE WELFARE BOARD

Meeting June 18, 1958

The meeting was held in the Committee Meeting Room of the County Commissioners Building in Clearwater.

Present: The Rev. Mr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. Baya Harrison who acted as secretary in the absence of Mrs. Strickland; Mrs. Holland; Superintendent of Public Instruction Floyd T. Christian; and County Commissioner Evan R. Jenkins. Also present was the Director George H. Finck.

MOTION: Minutes
Mr. Jenkins moved and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried to approve the minutes of the May 21, 1958, meeting.

MOTION: Expenditures
Mrs. Holland moved and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried that the expenditures listed on checks #5533 through #5558 (#5555 void) and on checks #5559 through #5586 (#5566 and #5575 void) in the General Operating Account and on #69 in the Trustee Accounts be approved for payment.

MOTION: Finance Report
The finance report was presented by Dr. Finck and discussed by the Board. Mrs. Jenkins moved and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried that the report be accepted and filed.

MOTION: Children in Foster Care
The report of children in foster care was discussed by the Board. The Rev. Coleman asked that an enquiry be made of the Child Welfare Unit concerning the availability of foster homes for Negro children in upper Pinellas County. Mrs. Holland moved and Mr. Jenkins seconded a motion which carried to accept and file this report.

MOTION: Cushing children
Dr. Finck explained the need for the payment of $40.00 per week for the services of a housekeeper and for food for the Cushing children while plans are being formulated for relatives in Alabama to assume responsibility for them. Mrs. Holland moved and Mr. Jenkins seconded a motion which carried that the plan for these children be accepted as presented.

Dr. Finck reported that Miss Ruth E. Jefferson would assume her duties as Executive Secretary of the Pinellas County License Board for Kindergartens and Day Nurseries on July 16.

The office furniture authorized by the Board and purchased through the Pinellas County Schools has been delivered—three secretary's desks, three secretary's chairs, three office desks, and one office chair. Total cost was $535.05.
The need for office space for marriage and family counseling in Clearwater was discussed and it was agreed that plans for sharing quarters with the Child Guidance Clinic, the Adult Mental Health Clinic or both could be considered, with the Juvenile Welfare Board paying a proportionate share of the rent.

**MOTION**

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children

After explanation by Dr. Finck, Mr. Christian moved and Mr. Jenkins seconded a motion which carried that the Juvenile Welfare Board pay from the Rowe Fund, Trustee Accounts, the sum of $36.00 for both Cummings children to attend a church sponsored camp at High Springs for ten days.

Dr. Finck presented his report on the Demonstration Program in Pre-Marital Counseling in Northeast High School and Mr. Christian discussed the problem of students moving here from other states and their difficulties in academic and social adjustments.

The report from the Child Welfare Unit in regard to school fees charged children in foster care was discussed. During the school year 1957-58, $154.50 was paid for 52 children in school. Mr. Christian agreed to study the situation and to confer with Dr. Finck.

The activities reports, including the account of Dr. Finck's attendance at the National Conference of Social Welfare in Chicago, were presented and the plans for the seminars in marriage counseling were discussed. Dr. Finck stated that there was at the present time a waiting list of 20 families in St. Petersburg for marriage counseling. The difficulties of securing professionally trained staff replacements were considered. The Reverend Coleman conveyed his thanks to the Director for his instructive and interesting presentation to the Lions Club of Clearwater on June 11. Arrangements for the reception for Dr. & Mrs. Williams on June 20 were presented.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. The next meeting of the Juvenile Welfare Board will be on July 16.

_Signature_

Mrs. Baya Harrison
Secretary, pro tem