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## JUVENILE WELFARE BOARD

MEETING, February 5, 1959

Held in Clearwater

PRESENT: The Rev. Robert E. Coleman, Chairman; Mrs. H. W. Holland who acted as secretary in the absence of Mrs. Strickland; Commission Charles R. Fischer and Juvenile Judge Charles O. Parks, Jr. Also present, Dr. George H. Finck, Director; Dr. Charles Spital, Marriage and family counselor, Juvenile Welfare Board.

The minutes of the January 21, 1959, meeting were discussed. Judge Parks moved and Mr. Fischer seconded a motion, which carried, to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 21.

MOTION  
EXPENDITURES

Judge Parks moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion, which passed, to approve the expenditures listed on checks #5977 through #6003 dated January 30, 1959. The financial records for the month of January, 1959, were reviewed by the Board and in the financial report for January, 1959, the amount listed under salaries was corrected to read \$1,355.00 instead of \$4,355.00.

As a follow-up to the meeting of January 21, when Mrs. Irwin, State Department of Public Welfare, Director, presented the financial needs for children in foster care, a letter from Mrs. Irwin was read by Dr. Finck. Mrs. Irwin's letter asked for an additional \$1,000.00 a month for foster care and \$450.00 per month for shelter care plus the amounts necessary for the two children in the residential treatment center at the Brown Schools. Dr. Finck had been asked to report on ways in which monies could be transferred from other accounts to meet the needs of children in foster care. The total amount requested by the State Department of Public Welfare was an additional \$1,866.00 a month or an additional \$14,928.00 for the remaining eight months of the fiscal year. Dr. Finck stated that the unused salary allocation of \$5,500.00 for a marriage counselor could be used from the budget under marriage and family counseling. He also stated that \$2,400.00 for the services of a part-time secretary could be released from the salary account. He stated that an additional \$6,000.00 could be transferred from the cash reserves of the Juvenile Welfare Board. These cash reserves at the beginning of the current fiscal year were \$45,828.53. In the discussion that followed Mr. Fischer suggested that subsequent annual budgets include a larger amount for contingencies or for other services and emergencies.

MOTION  
FUNDS FOR  
FOSTER CARE

Mrs. Holland moved, and Judge Parks seconded a motion, which carried, to grant the request of the State Department of Public Welfare for additional funds for the Child Welfare Unit

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in the amount of \$14,928.00 for the remainder of the fiscal year.

MOTION  
TRANSFER OF FUNDS  
TO FOSTER CARE

Judge Parks moved, and Mr. Fischer seconded a motion, which carried, that \$5,500.00 be transferred from the item, marriage and family counseling, \$2,400.00 from the salary item, and \$6,000.00 from the reserves be transferred to foster care since the balance in this account as budgeted would be sufficient to meet the remainder requested by the Child Welfare Unit.

Dr. Finck explained to the members that the Community Service Foundation was requesting funds from the City of Clearwater to provide a building for the Community Pride Nursery and that he had written a letter to the Mayor and City Council explaining the need for this facility for Negro children.

Dr. Charles Spital, Marriage and Family Counseling, gave a report on his work, explaining the psychological evaluations that he did with persons seeking marriage counseling as well as his continued counseling with persons who were trying to resolve their marital problems.

Since there was no further business the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of the Juvenile Welfare Board will be Thursday, March 5, 1959.

*Mairlande W. Holland*

Mrs. H. W. Holland  
Acting Secretary