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Meeting in Clearwater, September 8, 1960

PRESENT: Reverend Mr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. John Strickland, Secretary; Mrs. Baya Harrison; Superintendent of Public Instruction Floyd T. Christian; Juvenile Court Judge Charles O. Parks, Jr.; and County Commissioner R. Hosey Wick. Also present: Dr. George H. Finck, Director.

The minutes of the July 7th meeting were approved with the addition of the words "because of service policy included" to the motion for the purchase of a Wollensak tape recorder.

MOTION
Expenditures
Mr. Wick moved, and Judge Parks seconded a motion which carried, to approve the expenditures as listed: check #7058 dated July 1; checks #7059 through #7088 dated July 15; checks #7089 through #7110 dated July 29; check #7111 dated August 1st; checks #7112 through #7150 dated August 15; and checks #7151 through #7183 dated August 31st, 1960.

The financial reports and financial statements for the months of July and August were reviewed by the Board. Dr. Finck announced that through the cooperation of Mr. Christian the new agency car had been purchased for $1,457.00 plus $75.00 allowance for the trade-in.

Dr. Finck announced that $15,000.00 had been reinvested in U. S. Treasury Notes due October 13, 1960, at a rate of 2.567 per cent, and $15,000.00 due July 16, 1961, at an interest rate of 3.265 per cent.

MOTION
Transfer of Funds
Mr. Christian moved, and Mr. Wick seconded a motion which carried, to transfer from the contingency fund $100.00 to the account, "Bonds and Insurance", and $25.00 to the account, "Telephone". Dr. Finck explained that the additional amount for bonds and insurance was the expected sum to be paid to the County Commissioners for the inclusion of the Juvenile Welfare Board Staff in the blanket workmen's compensation policy for County employees.

The reports for children in foster care for the months of June and July were reviewed by the Board.

MOTION
Payment of Funds for Bicycle Expense from Trust Fund
Judge Parks moved, and Mr. Christian seconded a motion which carried, to pay the amount of $21.75 for bicycle expense for Robert F. Norris, Jr., from the general Trust Account. This payment from the Trust Account will reimburse the expenditure made under Juvenile Welfare Board tax funds for this purpose.

Dr. Finck reported that $25.00 in school fees had been paid for both Juanita and Winelle Cummings in order that they might attend boarding school at Groveland Academy in Lake County. Dr. Finck also reported that payment of $25.00 for a psychiatric examination for Leslie Mercer, a child in foster care, had been made under Medical Expenses. The Board discussed the situation at the Child Guidance Clinic and the fact that the absence of a psychiatrist-director made such an extra medical payment necessary. Dr. Finck also reviewed the situation in regard to the Moody children in foster care, whose parents were a murder and suicide, and the situation in regard to the death of Betty Simpson, a child in foster care. The autopsy for Betty Simpson has revealed a malignant brain tumor.
MOTION
Payment of Expenses for Dr. Finck

Mr. Christian moved, and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried, to pay the Director's expenses for a meeting in New York City of State and Local Youth Commissions on September 30, 1960.

The resignation of Mrs. Louise M. Terrill as Project Supervisor was announced effective September 15th. The Reverend Mr. Coleman read two letters from Mrs. Terrill concerning her departure and concerning the vacation leave due her at termination of her employment.

MOTION
Vacation Leave Payment for Mrs. L. M. Terrill

Mr. Christian moved, and Judge Parks seconded a motion which carried, to charge Mrs. Terrill's leave to sick leave rather than vacation leave since she was hurt and disabled during all of her vacation.

MOTION
Letter to Mrs. Terrill

Judge Parks moved, and Mr. Christian seconded a motion which carried, requesting the Director to write Mrs. Terrill to express the Board's appreciation of her services to the County.

Dr. Finck discussed the readjustments in the Board's services which will be necessary because of Mrs. Terrill's departure. The staff of the License Board will endeavor to carry the responsibility for Family Day Care and Foster Boarding Homes in the future. The Homemaker Service responsibilities will be carried by Mrs. Gerdeman under the supervision of Mrs. Dame. The Board requested Dr. Finck to work out an agreement to cover the part time homemakers on a more satisfactory and guaranteed basis.

MOTION
Printing of Short Form of Annual Report

Mr. Christian moved, and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried, that the Director be authorized to plan for the printing of approximately five hundred copies of a short form of the Thirteenth Annual Report.

MOTION
Nomination of Board Delegate to the Community Welfare Council

Mrs. Harrison moved, and Mr. Christian seconded a motion which carried, to request Mrs. H. W. Holland to continue to serve as a Board delegate to the Community Welfare Council.

The activities reports for the months of July and August were discussed. Dr. Finck read a letter from Mr. John M. Sexton, Principal, Northeast High School, expressing appreciation for the demonstration program of premarital counseling.

Since there was no further business the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of the Board will be Thursday, October 6, at nine-thirty.

Kathleen Strickland
Secretary