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Meeting in Clearwater

September 14, 1961

PRESENT: Reverend Mr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. Baya Harrison, Secretary; Mrs. Gus Sakkis; and Superintendent of Public Instruction, Floyd T. Christian.
Also present: Dr. George H. Finck, Director.

The minutes of the July 6th meeting were approved, and the following motion was passed:

MOTION

Employment of Mrs. Reiner, and expenditures for furniture, drapes, and rugs.
Expenditures

Mrs. Sakkis moved, and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried, to approve the expenditures as listed for the July 6th Board Meeting at which no quorum was present, and to approve the motions passed for the employment of Mrs. Reiner as Marriage Counselor and to approve the expenditure of funds, up to \$500.00, for furniture, draperies and rugs for the St. Petersburg offices.

MOTION

Expenditures for July and August

Mr. Christian moved, and Mrs. Sakkis seconded a motion which carried, to approve the checks as listed: check #7793 dated July 6; checks #7794 through #7819 dated July 14; checks #7820 through #7844 dated July 31; check #7845 dated August 1; checks #7846 through #7873 dated August 15; checks #7874 through #7895 dated August 31, 1961.

The financial reports for the months of July and August were discussed.

MOTION

Transfer of funds

Mr. Christian moved, and Mrs. Sakkis seconded a motion which carried, that \$350.00 be transferred from the Administrative Salary account to Marriage and Family Counseling in order to pay for the part-time services of Mrs. Beatrice Reiner for the months of August and September.

The reports of children in foster care for the months of June and July were discussed. Also discussed was a request from the State Department of Public Welfare to pay for the foster care of children in educational programs who have passed their seventeenth birthday.

MOTION

Approval of payments for foster care for James Newman and Fred Robitschek of

Mr. Christian moved, and Mrs. Sakkis seconded a motion which carried, to maintain James Newman in a foster home until the end of the first grading period, and to continue foster care for Fred W. Robitschek until the end of the school year.

The written agreement with Family and Children's Service concerning adoption service for Negro children was discussed by the Board.

MOTION

Approval of agreement with Family and Children's Service

Mr. Christian moved, and Mrs. Harrison seconded a motion which carried, to approve the attached agreement for the payment of foster care to Negro children pending adoption for the year 1961-62, not to exceed \$4,500.00 in total.

Dr. Finck reported on the care and treatment of Tom Robbins at the Brown Schools in Austin, Texas. A report of Tom's grades was read. Dr. Finck stated that Mr. Robbins had requested that the Board pay half of Tom's expenses through January 1962.

MOTION

Payment of Expenses
for Tom Robbins at the
Brown Schools

Mr. Christian moved, and Mrs. Sakkis seconded a motion which carried, that the Board continue to pay half of the expenses for the care and treatment of Tom Robbins at the Brown Schools through January 1962, at which time the original agreement to pay half of the expenses would be again in effect.

Dr. Finck explained that, because of confusion over the beginning date of the salary of Miss Margaret Green, Psychiatric Social Worker at the Child Guidance Clinic, her salary increment had not begun in May 1961. He stated that the Child Guidance Clinic would pay the extra amount up to October when the increase would be effective and that the Juvenile Welfare Board would be asked to assume the additional amount of \$20.00 a month beginning in May, 1962.

Dr. Finck reported that a person had made a contribution of \$250.00 to the Trust Fund.

A letter was read from Mrs. Holland reporting that she would be absent from Board Meetings for the next three months because of her trip abroad.

MOTION

Purchase of
Typewriter

Mr. Christian moved, and Mrs. Sakkis seconded a motion which carried, that a typewriter to replace the present one in the Juvenile Welfare Board office be purchased at the discretion of the Director through whatever means would yield the best possible price.

Dr. Finck reported on his attendance at the World Congress on Mental Health in Paris August 30th through September 5th, 1961. He described the workshop in Marriage Counseling which he attended as part of this World Congress.

Since there was no further business the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of the Juvenile Welfare Board will be Thursday, October 5th, 1961.

Virginia D. Harrison

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Secretary

A G R E E M E N T
between
THE JUVENILE WELFARE BOARD OF PINELLAS COUNTY
and
THE FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICE, INC.

- PURPOSE:** The Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County and the Family and Children's Service, Inc. enter into this agreement for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1961 and extending through September 30, 1962, for the purpose of providing adoption services to the Negro children in Pinellas County.
- STAFF:** All staff for Family and Children's Service will be employed by Family and Children's Service under their personnel policies. Such staff will be responsible to Family and Children's Service through its Executive Director. Policies of administration and operation will be determined by Family and Children's Service and put into effect through its Executive Director.
- FUNDS:** The Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County agrees to supply an amount not to exceed Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500.00) for the period October 1, 1961 through September 30, 1962 to be disbursed to Family and Children's Service as reimbursement for actual expenses of maintenance of Negro children of Pinellas County who are being considered for adoption placement. Family and Children's Service agrees to pay the administrative costs of providing the adoption services and to provide staff for this purpose.
- SERVICES:**
- I. Cases for care will be accepted by Family and Children's Service in accordance with its intake policies for children being considered for adoption.
 - II. From the sum allocated by the Juvenile Welfare Board, Family and Children's Service will be reimbursed for the costs of Negro children of Pinellas County who are in the care of Family and Children's Service awaiting adoption. Family and Children's Service agrees to secure foster homes for such children, to supervise the homes secured and the children placed in them through the staff, as provided for under the section "Staff" as outlined above.
 - III. As a corollary to rendering adoption services to Negro children of Pinellas County, Family and Children's Service will give the following supplementary service to these children:
 - 1) Casework services to mothers or families who are considering surrender of children for adoption.
 - 2) Services to unwed mothers.
 - 3) Recruitment, study and supervision of prospective adoptive homes and children placed therein.
 - 4) Referral to other agencies or resources of families or children who cannot be served by Family and Children's Service under this agreement.
 - IV. Situations which do not fall within these services will be brought to the attention of the Juvenile Welfare Board.

- V. Having accepted a case for study and/or service Family and Children's Service will be responsible for providing service until the child is legally adopted or until the child is accepted for service by another appropriate agency or individual. It is understood this agreement does not interfere with the rights of parents or the jurisdiction of the Court.

REPORTS: Family and Children's Service will present a monthly statement of expenditures to the Juvenile Welfare Board for children who are being served under this agreement which will indicate the number of children being served and the expenditures for each. Such other data will be supplied as may be helpful in a mutual evaluation of the program; provided however, that case names and identifying material shall not be publicized.

Books shall be regularly kept by Family and Children's Service and shall be open on demand to the Juvenile Welfare Board. The annual Audit of the books of Family and Children's Service shall be made available to the Juvenile Welfare Board on request.

WITNESSES:

s/ Floyd T. Christian

s/ Marie M. Sakkis

s/

s/ Wesley A. Jenkins

s/ Rev. Robert E. Coleman, Jr.

Chairman, Juvenile Welfare Board of
Pinellas County

s/ Paul H. Roney

President, Family and Children's
Service, Inc.