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JUVENILE WELFARE BOARD

Special Meeting - July 30, 1980

PRESENT: Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. Virginia H. Eckert, Secretary; Mrs. Marshall Barton (formerly Mrs. H.W. Holland); Mrs. Helen W. Herman; Judge Jack A. Page; and Commissioner Bruce Tyndall. Also present: Dr. Raymond L. Edwards, Executive Director; Mr. William M. Michaels, Deputy Director; Mr. William M. Markman, Business Administrator; Mrs. Mary L. Broadwater, Administrative Secretary; and Mr. Frank P. Glackin, Jr., Attorney at Law.

Dr. Coleman opened the meeting with prayer.

For informational purposes, Dr. Edwards explained that allocations previously approved by the Board for inclusion in the tentative 1980-81 program funding budget would necessitate an extraordinary vote of the Board (6 affirmative votes) at the final budget public hearing. These figures were based on material received from the Property Appraiser's office.

MOTION
Approval of Eckerd Camp Request
Judge Page moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to approve the recommendation of staff that the Board provide in its 1980-81 budget an amount of up to $105,000 (not to exceed $19.23 per day per child) to the Jack and Ruth Eckerd Foundation to provide 15 slots in the Eckerd Wilderness Camp Program.

MOTION
Approval of DMHB Request
Judge Page moved, and Mrs. Herman seconded a motion which carried to approve the recommendation of staff that the Board allocate $1,875 from Contingency to the District Mental Health Board to be utilized as additional local match for State General Revenues for purchase of residential treatment services for severely emotionally disturbed Pinellas County children during the period ending September 30, 1980.

MOTION
Approval for Additional Contingency for DMHB
Judge Page moved, and Mrs. Herman seconded a motion which carried to approve an additional $20,000 in Contingency for fiscal year 1980-81 in anticipation of need for local match by the District Mental Health Board.

MOTION
Approval of Staff Recommendation for CYS
Mrs. Barton moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to follow the recommendation of staff that the Board take no action on the request from Community Youth Services in letter dated June 16, 1980 based upon inadequate and unavailable information.

MOTION
Approval of Staff Recommendation for NSAC
Commissioner Tyndall moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to follow the recommendation of staff to deny the request from the Gulf Coast Chapter of the National Society for Autistic Children for retroactive funding.

MOTION
Approval to Transfer Funds
Mrs. Eckert moved, and Judge Page seconded a motion which carried to follow the recommendation of staff to transfer $35,000 from Program Development to Contingency, effective July 30, 1980.

Mr. Glackin updated the Board on legal matters.

The Board and staff discussed at length the failure of some agencies to publicize the support
given them by the Juvenile Welfare Board. Staff was instructed to work on some solution to this omission. A question will be added to each agency's quarterly report asking them to specify how they have informed the public of the Juvenile Welfare Board's support of their agency.

MOTION
Approval of Additions to Agreements

Mrs. Eckert moved, and Mrs. Barton seconded a motion which carried to follow the recommendation of staff to include three additions to Juvenile Welfare Board agreements with funded agencies for 1980-81 as follow:

1. No changes in program or budget may be made during the period of this Agreement except by approval of the Juvenile Welfare Board. In order for a change request to be considered by the Juvenile Welfare Board at its regular meeting, a written request must be received not later than the first Monday of the preceding month. A request which addresses an unforeseen emergency may be considered if received in writing no later than the third Monday of the month preceding the Juvenile Welfare Board meeting. Normally the Board does not meet during July and August. Therefore, except for consideration of requests for transfer of funds within existing budgeted line items, no changes in program or allocation may be considered by the Board after the third Monday in May (for an unforeseen emergency) until the September Board meeting.

2. (The funded program) agrees to provide the Juvenile Welfare Board, without charge, up to three copies of any publication developed in connection with the implementation or operation of the funded program.

3. The Juvenile Welfare Board may adjust the stated measurable objectives for the purpose of improving program evaluation and accountability of the funded program after consultation with the sponsoring agency.

The consensus of the Board was to omit or postpone a recommendation for a network of block homes in The Child Plan revisions.

MOTION
Approval to Move Recommendation Item

Judge Page moved, and Mrs. Barton seconded a motion which carried to move the alternative recommendation (as set out as a note under Item L of the new recommendations to Child Welfare Services) to the Public Schools portion of The Child Plan revisions.

Changes in the revisions were directed as follow: Part V.E. (felony substituted for delinquent); Part VI.G. (eye and hearing care included); Part VIII.805. (professional staff training added); and Part VIII.A. was deleted. Staff was asked to explore the possibility of the Juvenile Welfare Board establishing a model day care program for employees' children.

MOTION
Adoption of The State of the Child Plan

Mrs. Eckert moved, and Mrs. Herman seconded a motion which carried to adopt The State of the Child Plan as modified.

Commissioner Tyndall cast a negative vote.

Mr. Markman informed the Board that he planned to bring a draft for an Affirmative Action program to the Board in September. In addition, he plans to have the Suggestion Award program involving Juvenile Welfare Board employees implemented on October 1, 1980.
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<td>Approval of Special Merit Increment</td>
<td>Mrs. Eckert moved, and Mrs. Barton seconded a motion which carried to follow the recommendation of Dr. Edwards to approve a special merit increment for Mrs. Terrye A. Bradley, Assistant Planning &amp; Funding Consultant (to Grade 41 step 4 - $17,386.10), effective July 1, 1980.</td>
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<td>Dr. Edwards informed the Board that the public hearings to be held by the County would be on September 2 and September 9; by the School Board, August 6 and August 27.</td>
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<td>Mrs. Barton left the meeting.</td>
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<td>Dr. Edwards explained the possible alternatives in establishing tentative dollar and millage values for 1980-81.</td>
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<td>Approval of Computation Figure</td>
<td>Commissioner Tyndall moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to use 98% of the ad valorem tax figure in computing revenue for the 1980-81 budget.</td>
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<td>Approval of Public Hearing Dates</td>
<td>Mrs. Eckert moved, and Judge Page seconded a motion which carried to hold the two public hearings (for tentative and final 1980-81 budget and millage) as required by House Bill 4-D on September 4 and September 18, both at 7:30 p.m. at the Juvenile Welfare Board office.</td>
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<td>Approval of Agreement with YSSAC</td>
<td>Judge Page moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to follow the recommendation of staff that the Executive Director be authorized to enter into an agreement with the Youth Services System Advisory Council to provide Juvenile Welfare Board (JWB) staff support to the Council for the period September 1, 1980 through September 30, 1981. The total cost of such support to JWB shall not exceed amounts previously authorized by JWB for the Youth Services System Project and is contingent upon receipt of unexpended Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act funds previously authorized to JWB by the Pinellas County Commission and the State of Florida.</td>
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The Board noted the "Somebody Cares" brochure.

Commissioner Tyndall left the meeting, and a quorum was no longer in effect.

Dr. Coleman called to the Board's attention that a letter had been sent to *The Clearwater Sun* over his signature in response to the series of articles recently run by that paper.

Mr. Robert Kaplen, a reporter from *The Clearwater Sun*, attended the meeting.

The next meetings will be:  
September 4, 1980, 9:30 a.m. - Annual agreements.  
September 4, 1980, 7:30 p.m. - Public hearing.  
September 18, 1980, 7:30 p.m. - Public hearing.

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Virginia H. Eckert, Secretary