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Minutes of September 29, 1949

The Pinellas County Juvenile Welfare Board met at 9:30 a.m., September 29, 1949, in Clearwater with the following members present: Mrs. Holland, Judge Marshall, Mr. Christian, Mr. Belcher, Mrs. Bartlett, and Director Williams. Judge Marshall acted as chairman. The minutes of September 1 were corrected to include the approval of the minutes of August 25, after which

Motion: Mr. Belcher moved they be approved. Judge Marshall  
Minutes seconded the motion and it was carried.

Bills amounting to \$5,439.11 were presented.

Motion: Mrs. Bartlett moved they be paid and Mrs. Holland  
Bills seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Dr. Williams presented the new agreement between the Juvenile Welfare Board and District #4 Welfare Board.

Motion: Mrs. Holland moved that it be accepted and that the  
Agreement with chairman be authorized to sign it. Mr. Belcher  
District #4 seconded and it was carried unanimously.  
Welfare Board

There was general discussion on several matters: (1) a conference with the Child Guidance Clinic to work out the matter of referrals and services; (2) on reports from the Child Welfare Unit at Board meetings; (3) in the evaluation of services of all agencies the Board is helping to support in part or in whole; (4) on the budget for next year. It was suggested that copies of all inter-agency agreements be sent to all Board members.

Following up on the survey made in the schools on problem children, Dr. Williams outlined a pioneer demonstration project he wanted the Board to consider. In brief, the project would be a study-treatment program for at least three years, with a psychologist and a social worker to concentrate on problem children in schools in a certain area. He suggested a junior high school and two elementary schools for the experiment and recommended particularly the Glenoak, Lakeview, and South Side Junior High.

Motion: Mr. Belcher moved that the Board approve the initia-  
School tion of this preventive study-treatment project of  
Survey problem children in the schools and approve the  
Project employment of a clinical psychologist and trained  
social worker to carry on the work and that the  
Board authorize Mr. Christian and the Director to  
select and employ such persons and to bring back to



the Board detailed information for carrying out the project. Mrs. Bartlett seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Dr. Williams stated that one club in St. Petersburg was interested in providing clerical help and extras for this project.

Dr. Williams asked that the Board, upon Mrs. Dame's recommendation, approve plans for a girl to attend Montverde School and underwrite the project in so far as the worker is unable to collect money from the family.

Motion: Mr. Christian made a motion to this effect, which  
Girl at Mrs. Bartlett seconded. It was carried unanimously.  
Montverde

An invitation was given the Board to attend the corner stone ceremonies at the new jail, November 1.

Motion: Mr. Christian moved the Board accept the invitation  
Jail and place in the corner stone a copy of the history  
Corner stone of the Board. Mr. Belcher seconded and the motion  
Ceremony passed unanimously.

Dr. Williams reported on the development of the community organizations in Clearwater and Tarpon Springs on needs and resources. It is hoped that one person in every club can be designated to serve with this group so that there will be no overlapping of aid given and that the group can be a clearance committee for needs that can be met other than locally.

Dr. Williams also reported (1) that a girl the Board had voted money for at its February 24 meeting did not need the money as she is working, and (2) that Miller Johnson, negro probation officer, had left the department to continue his education at Washington University, St. Louis, Mo.

Dr. Williams was asked to have Mr. Patrick attend a special meeting of the Board, October 6, at 10:00 a.m. in Judge Marshall's office, for the purpose of reaching a better understanding of and cooperation on the Board's objectives, standards, and problems.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Marguerite Blocher Bartlett  
Secretary