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PRESENT: Reverend Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. Roy M. Speer, Secretary; Mrs. Charles S. Baker; and County Commissioner Charles E. Rainey. Also present: Dr. George H. Finck, Director; Juvenile Court Judge Jack A. Page; Mrs. Elouise Irwin, Director, Mrs. Barbara Thomas, Mr. Ted Hanscom, and Mrs. Jean Lewis, Supervisors, State Department of Public Welfare, District #4.

The minutes of the May 9, 1968 meeting were accepted as mailed.

The Board discussed the 1968-69 Budget for the Juvenile Welfare Board. Dr. Finck stated that the value of the mill for the coming year would be $1,536,010.16 on the basis of a 3% increase over the current millage. The value of the half-mill would be $768,005.08 of which 95%, or $729,604.82, could legally be budgeted. The amount of the millage in the budget being discussed was $640,224.07, leaving a possible $89,380.75 that could be allocated for other programs. Dr. Finck stated that of the $147,150 carried over to the next year as cash, $87,234.76 represented balances and savings occurring on a one time only basis. He stated that in his opinion this $87,234.76 was not actually available for the inauguration of new, continuing programs.

Judge Page explained the need for a "Half-Way House" for girls who are currently being sent to Ocala for incorrigible behavior. He requested earmarking $30,000 for a program for 15 girls in a group facility that would be operated by the Juvenile Court. He stated that Pinellas County had more girls (24) in Ocala than any other county in the State because it lacked local facilities for their care.

MOTION Referral of Request for "Half-Way House" Commissioner Rainey moved, and Mrs. Baker seconded a motion which carried, to refer the request of Judge Jack A. Page for funds for a "Half-Way House" to the Board of County Commissioners where it could be considered as a part of the Juvenile Court budget.

The Board decided at Commissioner Rainey's suggestion to pass over the request for funds from the Juvenile Welfare Board for the hospital expenses for children in foster care. At a subsequent discussion with County Administrator Stewart, Assistant Administrator Davis, and County Commissioner Rainey, it was agreed that the Board of County Commissioners would continue to fund this program as part of the hospitalization of medically indigent persons.

The request from Family and Children's Service, Inc., for $5,000 for the adoption of babies of Pinellas County residents was discussed by the Board, and it was felt that the Board lacked sufficient funds to engage in this new program at this time.

MOTION Denial of Request for Adoption Funds Mrs. Speer moved, and Mrs. Baker seconded a motion which carried, to deny the request of the Family and Children's Service, Inc., for $5,000 for adoption services to normal children of Pinellas County residents.

MOTION Approval of Budget for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 1968 Mrs. Baker moved, and Mrs. Speer seconded a motion which carried, to approve the budget as submitted for the year beginning October 1, 1968 and ending September 30, 1969, and certify the millage of .43847 to the Board of County Commissioners.
Revenue

SOURCE
Ad Valorem Tax
95% of Above
Other Receipts: Interest
Application Fees - License Board
Trust Fund
Cash Carryover

Budget 1968-69

EXPENDITURES
PURPOSE
SALARIES - Administration
Director
Administrative Secretary

SALARIES - Child Guidance Clinic
Clinical Psychologist (Chief) III
Clinical Psychologist II
Clinical Psychologist I
Psychiatric Social Worker IV (Chief)
Psychiatric Social Worker IV
Psychiatric Social Worker III
Psychiatric Social Worker II
Secretary I
Secretary I

CHILD WELFARE DIVISION
Foster Care
Salaries:
Welfare Worker I
Welfare Worker I
Welfare Worker I
Welfare Worker I (24 hour duty)
Welfare Worker I
Welfare Worker I
Welfare Worker I
Welfare Worker I (24 hour duty)
Welfare Worker I (24 hour duty)
Welfare Worker I
Welfare Worker I (Vacant)
Welfare Worker I (Vacant)
Welfare Worker I (Vacant)
Welfare Worker I (Vacant)
Supervisor (24 hour duty)
Supervisor
Transcriber-Operator (vacant)
Transcriber-Operator
Transcriber-Operator
Clerk Typist II
Clerk Typist II
Travel
Commissioner Rainey moved, and Mrs. Baker seconded a motion which carried, to approve the salaries as budgeted for the months of June, July, and August 1968, on the condition of completion of satisfactory service, since the Board would not formally meet again until September 5, 1968.

The financial report for the month of May 1968 was received by the Board.
Mrs. Speer moved, and Mrs. Baker seconded a motion which carried, to approve the request for supplementary per diem and travel expenses for Mrs. Wells and Mr. Hanscom to attend a conference on Family Planning Services in Orlando July 9 - 11, 1968. Dr. Finck reported on the case of Christine Blackshire that special foster care would no longer be needed.

Dr. Finck reported that he had received a request from the National Council on Crime and Delinquency to evaluate the survey they had made in 1963 entitled "Children in Trouble in Pinellas County, Florida". Dr. Finck stated that with Mr. Robert Marshall, Administrator of Pinellas County Juvenile Court, he had replied to the questionnaire which the National Council on Crime and Delinquency had sent. It was estimated that 87% of the recommendations of the survey had been implemented in full or in part. Dr. Finck read the list of the ten most important recommendations which he and Mr. Marshall had prepared.

Commissioner Rainey moved, and Mrs. Speer seconded a motion which carried, to designate Mrs. Nenabelle G. Dame as Acting Director of the Juvenile Welfare Board during the vacation and professional leave of Dr. George H. Finck from June 20 through August 17th, 1968.

The Activities Reports for the month of May 1968 were reviewed by the Board.

Since there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting of the Juvenile Welfare Board will be on Thursday, September 5, 1968, in the County Office Building, Clearwater.