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JUVENILE WELFARE BOARD

Regular Meeting - January 8, 1981

PRESENT: Mrs. Mary Wyatt Allen, Mrs. Mailande Holland Barton, Mrs. Mary Frances Byrkit, Dr. Calvin D. Harris, Mrs. Helen W. Herman, Judge Robert F. Michael and Commissioner Charles E. Rainey. Also present: Dr. Raymond L. Edwards, Executive Director; Mr. William M. Michaels, Deputy Director; Mr. Carl E. Meisner, Assistant Director for Planning and Funding; Mr. William M. Markman, Business Administrator; Mrs. Mary L. Broadwater, Administrative Secretary; and Mr. Frank P. Glackin, Attorney at Law.

Mrs. Barton presided at the request of Dr. Gus Sakkis, who was unable to attend. Dr. Sakkis, Vice Chairman, was the only remaining officer at this time, since neither Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr. (Chairman), nor Mrs. Virginia H. Eckert (Secretary) had been re-appointed to the Board by Governor Graham, and new appointments had been made. Dr. Edwards served as secretary.

Mrs. Barton welcomed the four new Board members: Commissioner Charles E. Rainey, newly appointed Vice Chairman of the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners; Mrs. Mary Wyatt Allen; Mrs. Mary Frances Byrkit; and Dr. Calvin D. Harris, the latter three appointed by Governor Graham.

Mr. Glackin informed the Board of the need to consider asking the Legislative Delegation for an amendment to an existing Florida law to protect marriage and family counselors from writ of subpoena in cases involving their clients.

MOTION Commissioner Rainey moved, and Mrs. Allen seconded a motion which carried
Instruction to Draft Amendment to instruct the Board attorney to draft the amendment he recommended, to send copies to each Board member for input by them if desired, and to notify other counseling networks, all to be accomplished before the deadlines for proposing new legislation.

MOTION Mrs. Herman moved, and Mrs. Byrkit seconded a motion which carried to approve the minutes of December 4, 1980.
Approval of Minutes

MOTION Mrs. Allen moved, and Mrs. Byrkit seconded a motion which carried to approve the recommendation of Dr. Edwards to grant a 5% salary adjustment for all employees under the Juvenile Welfare Board personnel policy, with the exception of the Executive Director, effective January 1, 1981.
Salary Adjustments

MOTION Mrs. Herman moved, and Mrs. Allen seconded a motion which carried to authorize the removal of Item #102 (Royal typewriter purchased February 1, 1968 for \$257.80); Item #103 (Royal typewriter purchased February 4, 1971 for \$234.50); and Item #266 (Unicom desk top calculator purchased May 7, 1973 for \$325) from the inventory.
Authorization to Remove Items from Inventory

MOTION Mrs. Byrkit moved, and Mrs. Herman seconded a motion which carried to authorize staff to proceed with replacing the outdoor sign at the Juvenile Welfare Board building.
Authorization to Replace Sign

Judge Michael arrived during the discussion on the above motion.

- MOTION
Authorization
to Eliminate
Fund and Es-
tablish
Account
- Mrs. Herman moved, and Mrs. Allen seconded a motion which carried to authorize elimination of the Capital Improvements Fund, as recommended by the auditors, and establishment of a Building and Grounds Renewal and Replacement account, with the remaining Capital Improvements funds of \$4,509.43 being transferred to the new account.
- MOTION
Approval of
Special
Merit
Increments
- Mrs. Byrkit moved, and Mrs. Allen seconded a motion which carried to approve special merit increments of 6% each for Dr. R.J. Doody, Training Consultant, and for Carol M. Gunnels, Administrative Assistant, both effective January 1, 1981.
- Dr. Harris cast a negative vote.
- Mrs. Allen left the meeting.
- Mr. Meisner reported that both the Pinellas Association for Retarded Children and the Upper Pinellas Association for Retarded Citizens had withdrawn their requests for emergency allocations for High Risk Classroom Program services.
- MOTION
PCAS
Request
- Commissioner Rainey moved, and Judge Michael seconded a motion which carried to approve a request from Pinellas Comprehensive Alcohol Services (PCAS) for up to \$6,260 for operating expenses in the Primary Prevention program and for up to \$700 for the Juvenile Welfare Board to purchase audiovisuals to be used by PCAS, a total of \$6,960 to come from contingency, effective January 1, 1981.
- Mr. Michael A. Bernstein, Executive Director, Gulf Coast Jewish Family Service, Inc., was present during discussion of his agency's request for funds.
- MOTION
GCJFS
Request
- Dr. Harris moved, and Mrs. Byrkit seconded a motion which carried to approve the request from Gulf Coast Jewish Family Service for the Adopt a Grandchild Program for up to \$12,123 from Program Development funds, effective February 1, 1981.
- MOTION
SABV
Request
- Mrs. Herman moved, and Judge Michael seconded a motion which carried to approve amendment of the Juvenile Welfare Board/San Antonio Boys Village agreement for 1980-81 to permit an advance of up to \$2,158 to be reconciled to actual expenditure by September 30, 1981.
- MOTION
PCLB
Request
- Mrs. Herman moved, and Commissioner Rainey seconded a motion which carried to approve an advance of up to \$25,000 to the Pinellas County License Board Food Program from contingency, to be reconciled at or before the end of the 1980-81 Juvenile Welfare Board fiscal year.
- MOTION
FCC
Request
- Mrs. Byrkit moved, and Mrs. Herman seconded a motion which carried to amend the Family Counseling Center foster care reimbursement rate effective January 1, 1981, to \$4.77 per day for regular placements, or \$6.00 per day for children who require substantial amounts of extra care, plus clothing and medical care documented by appropriate receipts.
- MOTION
Girls Clubs
Request
- Mrs. Herman moved, and Mrs. Byrkit seconded a motion which carried to approve an agreement amendment to permit an advance to Girls Clubs of Pinellas County from its allocation in the amount of up to \$1,087 to be reconciled to actual expenses at or before the end of the Juvenile Welfare Board 1980-81 fiscal year.

MOTION
FGHS
 Endorsement
 Request

Mrs. Byrkit moved, and Mrs. Herman seconded a motion which carried to authorize the Executive Director to send a letter of endorsement of Florida Gulf Health Systems Agency for inclusion in its grant submission.

The consensus of the Board was that if a bill to change the appointment authority of the Juvenile Welfare Board is proposed by a member of the Legislative Delegation that Board members should leave the remainder of the act alone without suggesting additional changes.

Mr. William Hicinbothem, Juvenile Welfare Board Fiscal Administrator, presented the final 1979-80 budgetary report to the Board.

Commissioner Rainey left the meeting.

Mr. Meisner called attention of the Board to the comparative summary of continuing programs and the summary of notices of intent to request funding for the 1981-82 fiscal year.

Dr. Edwards requested input from the Board on management of the proposals for the organizational study when they are received. The consensus was that staff send out copies of the proposals to all Board members as they are received. There was inconclusive discussion on changing the scheduled February 2 Study Committee meeting date.

The Speakers Bureau activity for December included 5 speeches reaching 155 people, 2 radio tapings, 1 TV taping, and 1 "live" TV show.


The Board noted the media release announcing the application period for Juvenile Welfare Board funds for the fiscal year 1981-82, the summary of the Eckerd Screening Committee, the letter of commendation from the Volunteer Action Center and the Family Impact Seminar newsletter.

The conference room daily usage for December was 32 downcounty, 4 upcounty.

The Board packet also included information on December site visits, November training activities, flyers on the Informed Parents group and the Incest Seminar, and a list of those sent a request for proposal for the organizational study.

Mrs. Barton declared the meeting adjourned.

The next meetings will be: January 22, 1981, 9:30 a.m. - Work Session (funding process)
 February 2, 1981, 9:30 a.m. - Staff and Board Study Committee
 February 5, 1981, 9:30 a.m. - Regular Meeting.


 Raymond L. Edwards, Ph.D., Acting Secretary