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PRESENT: Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. Stephen D. Mullins, Vice Chairman; Mrs. H. W. Holland; Commissioner Don Jones; Judge Jack A. Page; Dr. Gus Sakkis; and Chaplain Moses L. Stith. Also present: Dr. Raymond L. Edwards, Executive Director; Mrs. Mary L. Broadwater, Administrative Secretary; Mr. William M. Markman, Business Administrator; and Mr. Frank P. Glackin, Attorney at Law.

Mrs. Mullins presided until Dr. Coleman arrived and instructed Dr. Edwards to act as secretary.

MOTION

Dr. Sakkis moved, and Chaplain Stith seconded a motion which carried to approve the items without exception as follows:

A. Ratification of minutes of December 2, 1976.

B. Removal of inventory items #82 (Check Protectograph) and #423 (NCR bookkeeping machine).

Dr. Coleman arrived.

MOTION

Mrs. Holland moved, and Mrs. Mullins seconded a motion which carried to approve funding 26 percent of the Alternative Human Services Hotline Program up to $9,320 from January 1, 1977 through September 30, 1977, with the stipulation that a written agreement reflecting the above be reviewed and signed at the next meeting. This motion included the understanding that $3,475 (the difference between the budgeted amount and the $9,320) be taken from Contingency.

MOTION

Dr. Sakkis moved, and Mrs. Mullins seconded a motion which carried to approve funding Community Youth Services, Inc. the prorated amount of $4,590 from January 1, 1977 through September 30, 1977, with the specific funding relationship to be worked out at the discretion of the Executive Director. This motion also included the understanding that the service programs must be in operation before the agency is eligible for any funding from the Juvenile Welfare Board and that a written annual agreement must be developed.

MOTION

Mrs. Holland moved, and Dr. Sakkis seconded a motion which carried to approve the recommendation of Dr. Edwards to deny the request of the Family Counseling Center to utilize the Group Home Relief Homemakers to provide services to regular Shelter/Foster Care. This motion included the instruction that the number of homemakers be reduced or placed on an hourly basis if the group home parents are not making sufficient use of this service.

MOTION

Mrs. Mullins moved, and Chaplain Stith seconded a motion which carried to reclassify the Secretary I position held by Mrs. Carol M. Gunnels (Administration) to that of Secretary II (Grade 30 step 2 to Grade 33 step 1 - $9,068.80), effective January 1, 1977.

MOTION

Commissioner Jones moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried to approve the low bid of $1,614 for printing of the annual report.
Commissioner Jones moved, and Mrs. Mullins seconded a motion which carried to approve application for a juvenile delinquency diversion grant in the amount of $1,000,000 over a 2-year period, with the Juvenile Welfare Board to act as fiscal agent and grantee, but with no local match required.

Dr. Sakkis moved, and Commissioner Jones seconded a motion which carried to table for one month a motion that salary increments for staff be included under the personnel policy and practices followed by agencies funded by the Juvenile Welfare Board. The Board asked that additional information be presented to them regarding the personnel policies and salary structures of affected agencies (Family Counseling Center and Child & Family Comprehensive Mental Health Center, Inc.).

Commissioner Jones left the meeting.

The wording of plaques for the new office building in memory of Drs. H. D. Williams and George H. Finck was discussed by the Board and is to be finalized at the February meeting.

Dr. Sakkis moved, and Mrs. Mullins seconded a motion which carried to approve the development of a Juvenile Welfare Board Historical Project (documentation of 30 years operation) by staff, with a presentation to be made to the Board at a later date as to specifics to be accomplished and the cost involved.

Dr. Edwards informed the Board that the change in funding relationship with the Child & Family Comprehensive Mental Health Center, Inc. from direct payment of salaries to reimbursement had already been accomplished for all but six employees, effective January 1, 1977.

Mrs. Mullins moved, and Chaplain Stith seconded a motion which carried to approve and to authorize the Chairman to sign the 1976-77 agency agreement between the Juvenile Welfare Board and the Juvenile Services Program.

The Board noted the quarterly activity report of Dr. Edwards.

Dr. Sakkis moved, and Mrs. Mullins seconded a motion which carried to authorize Mr. Glackin to continue negotiating with the M & Z Corporation in an effort to reduce the rent owed (at the 3455 - 1st Avenue South location from the period September 15, 1976 until the lease expires April 30, 1977) to $10,700 or less.

Mr. Glackin informed the Board he was continuing to work on a tax sheltered annuity plan for Juvenile Welfare Board staff.

Mr. Ted Hale, Community Services staff, presented the latest annual report (1975-76), which was received with great enthusiasm by the Board.
MOTION  Dr. Sakkis moved, and Mrs. Mullins seconded a motion which carried to adopt
Adoption  the State of the Child Plan (Recommendations of the Juvenile Welfare Board
of State  for Improving the Juvenile Welfare System in Pinellas County, Florida - 1977)
of Child  as prepared by the Juvenile Welfare Board's Community Services staff. (Attached
Plan  to minutes as addendum.)

Due to lack of time, the agency quarterly report presentation was postponed until January 27,

1977.

Dr. Edwards informed the Board that 1,238 people had used the Juvenile Welfare Board con-
ference room during the month of November 1976, or 65 per working day.

Dr. Coleman declared the meeting adjourned.

The next meetings of the Juvenile Welfare Board will be at 9:30 a.m. at 4140 - 49th Street

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