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PRESENT: Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Dr. Gus Sakkis, Vice Chairman; Mrs. Virginia H. Eckert, Secretary; Mrs. Helen W. Herman; Judge Robert F. Michael; Judge Jack A. Page; and Mr. Joseph R. Ponds, Jr. Also present: Dr. Raymond L. Edwards, Executive Director; Mr. William M. Michaels, Deputy Director; Mrs. Mary L. Broadwater, Administrative Secretary; Mr. William M. Markman, Business Administrator; and Mr. Frank P. Glackin, Attorney at Law.

Dr. Coleman presided informally until the arrival of a fifth Board member to constitute a quorum.

Dr. Edwards explained four options as a framework in discussing the proposed program budget for 1980/81 using approximate totals and estimated millage rates subject to further revision: (1) No additional funding, $3,806,987 (.4424 mill); (2) $100,000 to United Way from 79/80 funds, $3,912,250 (.4546 mill); (3) Plus additional $100,000 to programs 80/81, $4,017,513 (.4669 mill); and (4) Plus additional $100,000 to programs 80/81, $4,122,776 (.4791 mill). Staff will continue to check with Tax Assessor's office for more accurate 1980 mill value.

Mr. Glackin had explored the legality of lending the United Way of Pinellas County the amount that agency had requested for the months of June, July, August and September 1980 for services to or in behalf of children and found no legal restrictions with the Board doing this, if they so chose.

In the absence of Mr. Carl E. Meisner, who is recovering from surgery, Mrs. Terrye A. Bradley, Assistant Planning and Funding Consultant, presented the final staff recommendations for program funding for 1980/81.

Dr. Sakkis arrived during the beginning of the above presentation, and a quorum was in effect. Mrs. Eckert and Judge Michael arrived a little later.

Considerable discussion was held on staff recommendation not to fund the Alternative Human Services Youth & Family Resource Center program.

**MOTION**
Approval to Include AHS Request in Draft Budget

Judge Page moved, and Mrs. Herman seconded a motion which carried to approve the request of Alternative Human Services to include $20,743 for the Youth & Family Resource Center program in the 1980/81 draft budget.

Dr. Sakkis and Mr. Ponds opposed this motion.

**MOTION**
Approval of Staff Recommendation on Children's Home

Dr. Sakkis moved, and Judge Michael seconded a motion which carried to approve the recommendation of staff to include $20,000 for The Children's Home, Inc. in the 1980/81 draft budget, since there are other possible funding agencies.

The appeal to the Juvenile Welfare Board from the United Way of Pinellas was discussed. More background information is needed, and the Board planned to reach a decision in two weeks, after Dr. Edwards talks to Mr. Curtis West, Executive Director of the United Way.

Mr. Glackin left the meeting.
Mr. Merrell F. Dickey, Executive Director, and Mr. Thomas R. Weekes, Project Director, of Pinellas Comprehensive Alcohol Services, Inc. made a presentation requesting that their agency be included in the Juvenile Welfare Board 1980/81 budget.

MOTION
Approval to Add Supplemental Funding Recommendations

Judge Page moved, and Mr. Ponds seconded a motion which carried for all of the supplemental funding recommendations as presented by staff (approximately $155,000) to be added to the 1980/81 draft budget, with the appropriate dollar figure to be included as part of the specific agency's budget.

The Board instructed Dr. Edwards to draft the 1980/81 program funding budget with the above changes for discussion and final approval at the regular meeting in June.

Mr. Bill Markman informed the Board that the Trust Fund totalled almost $6,000 at the present time.

MOTION
Approval to Purchase Audiovisual Equipment

Dr. Sakkis moved, and Judge Page seconded a motion which carried to authorize the use of approximately $3,500 for purchase of audiovisual equipment for the Marriage and Family Counseling Unit which would be compatible with the set in the Training Unit.

MOTION
Approval to Increase LB Budget for 1979/80

Mrs. Eckert moved, and Mrs. Herman seconded a motion which carried to approve an increase in the License Board 1979/80 budget as necessitated by the receipt of approximately $6,634 in United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) funds due to License Board sponsorship of the USDA food program for use in family day care homes (June 1, 1980 - September 30, 1980). This motion involves no additional funds from the Juvenile Welfare Board.

Ms. Lynn Blacklidge informed the Board of plans for observance of Children's Day on June 8, 1980, including a phone setup on that day whereby the Juvenile Welfare Board will afford a child, grandparent, or family the opportunity to make one three-minute phone call to anywhere in the continental United States as the Juvenile Welfare Board's contribution to strengthen family life.

Ms. Blacklidge also presented each Board member with a copy of the thirty-second annual report (1978/79).

Dr. Coleman complimented Mr. Michaels on his work in conducting the public hearing on the needs of Pinellas children and families on Wednesday, May 14, 1980.

Copies of articles printed on April 11, 1980 in The St. Petersburg Times and The Evening Independent re 100% Pinellas property tax assessment and the Juvenile Welfare Board program budgetary report through March 1980 were noted by the Board.

Dr. Edwards informed the Board of House Bill 1372, Special District Control Act.

The conference room daily usage for April was 38 downcounty, 8 upcounty.

Dr. Coleman declared the meeting adjourned.