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

At the request of Mrs. Barton, Mrs. Herman asked Judge Michael to open the meeting with prayer.

Mrs. Herman made an announcement that this meeting is not a public hearing - it has not been advertised as a public hearing - it is a regular meeting of the Juvenile Welfare Board.

MOTION Approval to Rescind Personnel Policy
Commissioner Rainey moved, and Judge Page seconded a motion which carried to rescind the personnel policy regarding the Executive Director's employment contract.

Dr. Rose, Mrs. Barton and Dr. Harris opposed this motion.

MOTION Approval to Terminate the Executive Director
Commissioner Rainey moved, and Judge Page seconded a motion which carried unanimously that the Executive Director's employment contract be held of no consequence by a majority vote.

MOTION Appointment of Acting Director
Mrs. Byrkit moved, and Judge Page seconded a motion which carried to terminate the employment of the Executive Director with two months salary and a leave of absence to start immediately and to hire a new Executive Director within the next three months.

Dr. Rose, Mrs. Barton, Dr. Harris and Mrs. Allen opposed this motion, with the Chairman voting "aye" to break the tie vote. Mrs. Byrkit moved, and Commissioner Rainey seconded a motion which carried to call the question on the above motion, with Mrs. Allen, Dr. Harris, Mrs. Barton and Dr. Rose opposed, and the Chairman voting "aye" to break the tie vote.

MOTION Appointment of Acting Director
Judge Page moved, and Judge Michael seconded a motion which carried to appoint Carl Meisner Acting Director until the Board could find a new director.

Mrs. Barton and Dr. Harris opposed this motion.

Mrs. Herman declared a short recess.

MOTION Acting Director to Advertise for Consultant
Dr. Rose moved, and Dr. Harris seconded a motion which carried to empower the Acting Executive Director to advertise for a consultant to do a search for an Executive Director for the Juvenile Welfare Board.

MOTION Acceptance of Study re Deputy Director
Mrs. Allen moved, and Mrs. Byrkit seconded a motion which carried to accept the consultants' study concerning the Deputy Director for Planning and the amended job description.
Mrs. Byrkit moved, and Mrs. Allen seconded a motion which carried to amend the current personnel policy concerning the employment of the Executive Director to read as follows: the Executive Director shall be employed by the will of the Board for a period of one year by contract agreed to by the Board and the Executive Director. Renewal of such contract will be by Board action, contingent upon Board evaluation of the Executive Director. This motion was to convey intent, and allowed for the Acting Director to come forward with such options as Board members ask for the editorial consent of the Board.

Mrs. Herman appointed Dr. Rose, Dr. Harris and Mrs. Allen (Chairman) to be the committee to work on the charge to the Board and to develop a draft of Board responsibilities (guidelines, procedures and policies) for the next regular Board meeting on December 3, 1981.

Mrs. Herman instructed Mr. Meisner to contact the Legislative Delegation Chairman to arrange a meeting for a date convenient for him and other delegation members and to notify the Board members of time selected. The purpose of this meeting would be to enlist the help of the delegation in drawing up a bill to change the composition of the Board members.

Mrs. Byrkit moved, and Judge Page seconded a motion to appoint Mrs. Herman as Chairman for the fiscal year 1981-82. Dr. Harris moved, and Dr. Rose seconded a motion to appoint Mrs. Allen as Chairman for the fiscal year 1981-82. Mrs. Barton moved, and Dr. Harris moved that nominations be closed. Mrs. Herman voted for herself to break the tie vote.

Commissioner Rainey moved, and Judge Michael seconded a motion which carried unanimously to appoint Mrs. Allen as Vice Chairman for the fiscal year 1981-82.

Mrs. Allen moved, and Mrs. Barton seconded a motion which carried unanimously to appoint Dr. Harris as Secretary for the fiscal year 1981-82.

Mrs. Allen moved, and Mrs. Byrkit seconded a motion which carried to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 1, 1981, the public hearing of October 1, 1981, and the public hearing and special meeting of October 8, 1981 as mailed.

Mrs. Byrkit moved, and Commissioner Rainey seconded a motion which carried to defer action on the fee agreement between the Juvenile Welfare Board and general counsel until the next regular meeting. Dr. Harris and Dr. Rose opposed this motion.

Board consensus was that the current Juvenile Welfare Board 1981-82 budget should continue as is, in spite of the recent changes anticipated by the County Appraiser's office.

Mrs. Allen moved, and Mrs. Byrkit seconded a motion which carried to follow the recommendation of staff not to fund the Shelter Home Ministry of Pinellas County Love Homes Program.

Mrs. Allen moved, and Judge Michael seconded a motion which carried to direct Pinellas Young Peoples Residential Treatment Home to District Mental Health Board for possible funding through the Juvenile Welfare Board contract with District Mental Health Board for purchase of service.
Mrs. Allen moved, and Mrs. Byrkit seconded a motion which carried to defer action on the Pinellas Comprehensive Alcohol Services Youth Alcohol Project request until at least after January 1, 1982.

Palisades Theatre Company had submitted an application for funding on January 1, 1982 of A Family Secret, a touring play with workshops dealing with the subject of child abuse. Board members were invited to a performance on November 12, 1981; however, since many Board members may not be able to attend, staff will see if videotapes of the play are available for viewing.

Mr. Meisner advised that a revised application from FACE Learning Center had been received too late for staff to present it to the Board today.

Mr. Michaels updated the Board on the six actions which had occurred re the mental health system since the last regular meeting: the September site visit report has been completed; an ad hoc committee of funders has a plan from Affiliated Health Services to use a portion of their accumulated excess revenue; an audit team has been put together made up of each of the funding agencies; staff is looking at a new structure for the delivery of mental health services in the County; staff is looking at new ways of funding mental health services in the County; and there is a new corporation, Shoreline, which is bidding, and has been approved by some of the other funders, to operate services in the South Central Catchment area.

Mrs. Allen moved, and Mrs. Byrkit seconded a motion which carried to fund the requests from Shoreline Mental Health Services, Inc. (SMHS) in the following manner: (1) Adolescent Day Treatment - to transfer 42% of Affiliated Health Services allocation for fixed percentage of Day Care Program to SMHS for staffing of Adolescent Day Treatment for a Juvenile Welfare Board allocation of up to $59,033; and (2) Outpatient Services for Children - to transfer one fourth of Affiliated Health Services allocation for fixed percentage of Outpatient Services for eleven months to SMHS for up to $59,551 and to fund the remainder of the Shoreline's request from Contingency for up to $17,247 for a total allocation to Shoreline for Outpatient Services for up to $76,798. This would bring the total Juvenile Welfare Board allocation to SMHS to up to $135,831, effective November 1, 1981 through September 30, 1982.

Mr. Mike Schmidt, Research and Evaluation Consultant, updated the Board on the Health & Rehabilitative Services Group Homes Program, which was found to be deviating from the Juvenile Welfare Board contract during the July site visit. He reported that Juvenile Welfare Board staff had requested a formal written amendment from Health & Rehabilitative Services for consideration and action at the December 3, 1981 meeting.

Mrs. Allen moved, and Mrs. Byrkit seconded a motion which carried to authorize a letter to Mr. Buchholtz, Executive Director of Neighborly Senior Services, endorsing the Section 504 agreement, which pertains to provision of services to those with hearing impaired.

Mrs. Herman asked the members to note the informational items which included Speakers Bureau activity for October (4 speeches reaching 113 people, 7 TV tapings, 5 radio tapings, and 1 "live" TV program); October Training Unit statistics (3 Speakers Bureau presentations and 365 people participating in training); October site visits (Pinellas Association for Retarded Citizens, Jewish Family Service, and Pinellas Comprehensive Alcohol Services); conference room daily utilization for October - downcounty, 44, upcounty, 10; and Religious Community Services - request withdrawn.
The packet also included the following informational items: Aid to Families with Dependent Children recommended draft legislation; Management Training for Executive Directors material; memo re consensus of recent meeting of the Interagency Committee on Planning and Evaluation; one-page summary of the educational advancement of Project Playpen day care providers; "Crossroads" conference media packet; 1981-82 Juvenile Welfare Board program funding articles; and newspaper articles: St. Petersburg Times - 10/2/81; Clearwater Sun - 10/3/81 and 10/10/81.

Mrs. Herman declared the meeting adjourned.

The next meetings will be:

- November 19, 1981 - Work session;
- December 3, 1981 - Regular board meeting;
- December 11, 1981 - Eighth Annual Legislative Workshop;
- January 7, 1982 - Regular board meeting;
- January 21, 1982 - Work session.

Calvin D. Harris, Ed.D., Secretary