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JUVENILE WELFARE BOARD

Regular Meeting - May 8, 1986

PRESENT: Mrs. Mary Byrkit, Chairman; Dr. Calvin D. Harris, Secretary; Mrs. Mary Wyatt Allen; Commissioner George Greer; and Mrs. Helen W. Herman. Also present: Mr. James E. Mills, Executive Director; Mrs. Mary Laura Broadwater, Executive Assistant; and Mr. Terry A. Smiljanich, Attorney at Law.

Mrs. Byrkit called the meeting to order.

Mrs. Marlynn Littauer, Community Relations Specialist, distributed the 1985 Annual Report to the Board members. Board members congratulated Mrs. Littauer on coordinating the preparation of both the Annual Report and the I-COPE Coordinated Needs Assessment slide story.

MOTION Dr. Harris moved, and Mrs. Allen seconded a motion which carried unani-
Approval of mously, to approve the agenda as published.
Agenda

MOTION Dr. Harris moved, and Mrs. Allen seconded a motion which carried unani-
Approval of mously, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 10, 1986
Minutes as printed.

MOTION Mrs. Allen moved, and Commissioner Greer seconded a motion which car-
YWCA - ried unanimously, to allocate \$10,000 to Young Women's Christian Asso-
Project ciation-Project HELP from the Juvenile Welfare Board Contingency Fund
HELP for the period May 1, 1986 - September 1986 and annualize for fiscal
year 1986/87.

MOTION Dr. Harris moved, and Mrs. Allen seconded a motion which carried unani-
Transfer from mously, to approve transfer of \$16,590 from the Contingency Fund - Op-
Contingency erating Reserve Annual Leave/Sick Leave to the appropriate operating
Fund - AL/SL budgets.

The Board members discussed at length the policy proposed by staff relating to Juvenile Welfare Board contract agency staff membership on funded agency boards. They received input from the Board attorney, Mr. Smiljanich, and from the Executive Director of Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Mr. Tom Esslinger, in addition to that received from many funded agencies before the meeting.

MOTION Mrs. Herman moved, and Dr. Harris seconded a motion that Juvenile Wel-
JWB Contract fare Board contract agency staff may not serve as members of the gov-
Agency Staff erning boards of agencies for which they are employed, which motion was
Membership amended by Mrs. Allen, seconded by Mrs. Herman and carried unanimously,
on Funded to include an effective date of October 1, 1987.
Agency Boards

MOTION Mrs. Allen moved, and Commissioner Greer seconded a motion which car-
Research and ried unanimously, to approve staff recommendations to waive late fil-
Demonstration ing of applications and allocate with technical qualifications (at-
Funding tached to these minutes as an addendum) up to \$42,917 in fiscal year
1985/86 to the following research and demonstration projects all to
begin in fiscal year 1985/86:

Family Service Centers-Family Systems Intervention for Prevention of
Child Sexual Abuse (\$12,529);

Technical Qualification/Special Conditions

MHSSP/Early Intervention Project (\$46,378)

Recommended Conditions

Use the Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test (Revised) as an additional outcome measure; identify an additional measure of adaptive behavior other than the Vineland; consider use of I.Q. score.

Guarantee acceptance of all randomly assigned families to the treatment group or complete all evaluations for all referred families.

Consider follow up of clients for two years if feasible.

Reconcile to JWB staff satisfaction apportionment of staff time between Continuation programs and the R & D program.

YWCA/Adolescent Parenting Project (\$47,402)

Recommended Conditions

Provide for control group and random assignment of clients.

Monitor school drop-out rates for clients.

Expand the number of evaluation variables (consider social and other skill development).

Control for maturation on increased parent/child interactive variable.

Specify participation of fathers in the program.

Consider follow up of clients for two years if feasible.

Clarify how costs such as food, cribs, and diapers will be handled.

Family Service Centers - Family Systems Intervention (\$37,966)

Recommended Conditions

Consider formation of a control group for the Parents United portion of the study, and create a control comparison for the intimacy measure (PAIR scale).

Training tapes should be created which involve persons who are non-subjects in the study. These tapes should be used to assure an acceptable level of coder reliability prior to the coding of the subjects behavior. Randomize the order of coding to prevent a rating order effect.

Consider measures to minimize interaction between two independent variables (communications course and the parent group).

Reconcile apportionment of staff time between the R&D project and the Continuation Program.

(continued)

Marriage and Family Counseling/Project Reach (\$9,495)

Recommended Conditions

Clarify how survey Form A will be validated and how there will be control for standardized presentation (special training to be provided interviewers in working with minority families).

In administering Form B, stratification should include present accessibility by Blacks to services, Black incidences of problem addressed, proportion of Blacks employed by the agency, and the nature of the services to be provided.

Reconcile apportionment of staff time between the Continuation program and the R & D program.

Note: All projects will be required to submit a final summary report to JWB written so as to qualify for publication in a professional journal.

Marriage and Family Counseling-Project Reach (\$3,323);
 Mental Health Services of South Pinellas-Early Intervention Program
 (\$15,305);
 Young Women's Christian Association-Adolescent Parenting Project
 (\$10,600);
 Juvenile Welfare Board contract for research on Dually Diagnosed Adoles-
 cents (\$1,160);

and to plan allocation of up to \$103,324 to continue projects in fiscal
 year 1986/87:

Family Service Centers-Family Systems Intervention for Prevention of
 Child Sexual Abuse (\$25,437);
 Marriage and Family Counseling-Project Reach (\$6,172);
 Mental Health Services of South Pinellas-Early Intervention Program
 (\$31,073);
 Young Women's Christian Association-Adolescent Parenting Project
 (\$36,802);
 Juvenile Welfare Board contract for research on Dually Diagnosed Adoles-
 cents (\$3,840).

The Board reviewed the Personnel Report for April 1986. Mr. Mills informed the Board that Miss Ruth Jefferson, Director of the Pinellas County License Board, will be retiring at the end of July after twenty-eight years of service on behalf of children. Mrs. Allen noted that Ms. Elithia Stanfield, Coordinator of the Youth Services Advisory Committees, is the newly elected Corresponding Secretary of the Junior League of St. Petersburg.

The Board noted the financial reports for April 1986, the Narrative Report for April 1986 (which included the site visit schedule and the Staff Development & Training Department Update), and the site visit summaries.

Ms. Stanfield informed the Board of legislative changes that had occurred since her preparation of the Legislative Update.

Mrs. Byrkit called attention to the Affirmative Action Report.

Mr. Will Michaels, Director of the Funding & Evaluation Department, gave a brief review of the 9th Annual Analysis of Performance Data for Programs Funded by the Juvenile Welfare Board. Mr. Michaels congratulated all staff involved in compiling the Analysis and made special mention of the work of Ms. Martha Simpson, Program Consultant.

The Board noted the proposed schedule for New and Expanded Needs Assessment Funding, the financial disclosure forms, and the media items.

MOTION Mrs. Allen moved, and Commissioner Greer seconded a motion which carried
 Approval to unanimously, to adjourn.
 Adjourn

The next meetings will be: June 12, 1986, 9:30 a.m. - regular meeting;
 June 26, 1986, 8:30 a.m. - work session on 1986/87 budget.

Cal. Harris

Calvin D. Harris, Ed.D., Secretary