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PRESENT: Mrs. Roy M. Speer, Chairman; Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Vice Chairman; Mrs. James D. Eckert, Secretary; Commissioner George R. Brumfield; Mrs. H. W. Holland; Judge Jack A. Page; and Judge William L. Walker. Also present: Dr. Raymond L. Edwards, Director; Mrs. Mary L. Broadwater, Administrative Secretary; Mr. George M. Brooks, Jr., Administrative Officer; and Mr. Frank P. Glackin, Attorney.

Mrs. Speer called the regular meeting to order to act on agenda items requiring Mr. Glackin's presence, after which Mr. Glackin was excused to meet other commitments.

**MOTION**
Commissioner Brumfield moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to confirm the poll conducted by telephone giving Dr. Edwards authority to sign the lease for the Clearwater office space and to have issued a deposit check in the amount of $693.00 for said space, upon recommendation of Board's legal consultant.

**MOTION**
Dr. Coleman moved, and Judge Walker seconded a motion which carried to give general approval to grant a use easement for Mr. Stierheim to have access to his property which adjoins the Lake Chautauqua property, pending working out legal details with Board's legal consultant. Mr. Brumfield's offer to assist was accepted by the Board.

**MOTION**
Commissioner Brumfield moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to close the regular meeting and to go into a work session.

The Board began discussion of the 1973-74 budget request for the Division of Youth Services Group Homes and Volunteer Coordinator; the Detention Center's Diagnostic Center and Non-Secure Detention; Homemaker Program; After-School Program; and Juvenile Welfare Board Administration, Community Services, and Marriage and Family Counseling.

Dr. Edwards discussed the concept of a Child Arrangements Review and Evaluation (CARE) Committee which would involve eight treatment resource agencies acting in concert to coordinate treatment for multiproblem children in high risk situations where no clear-cut treatment plan is present.

**MOTION**
Commissioner Brumfield moved, and Judge Page seconded a motion which carried to declare an emergency session to discuss and act upon a non-agenda item.

**MOTION**
Commissioner Brumfield moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried to instruct Mr. Marshall and Mr. Glackin to draft a resolution requesting the Legislative Delegation to support Senate Bill 264 which relates to the State taking over the detention facilities.

**MOTION**
Commissioner Brumfield moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried to close the emergency session.
Mrs. Speer reconvened the regular meeting.

**MOTION**  
Approval of Minutes  
Mrs. Holland moved, and Commissioner Brumfield seconded a motion which carried to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 5, 1973 as mailed.

**MOTION**  
Approval of Expenditures  
Dr. Coleman moved, and Commissioner Brumfield seconded a motion which carried to approve the expenditures for April with the exception of Checks #2477 and #2490, which are to be released at the discretion of the Director: Check #2363 dated April 10, 1973; Check #2364 dated April 20, 1973; Checks #2434 thru Check #2488 and Check #2491 dated May 3, 1973, and Checks #2489 and #2490 dated May 31, 1973.

**MOTION**  
Approval of Items Without Exception  
Commissioner Brumfield moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried to approve the following requests without exception:

- Mrs. Ruth Coppinger to attend Southern Regional Institute, June 3-8, Gatlinburg, Tenn.
- Donald Richards (Protective Service worker, Division of Family Services) to receive 7 1/2% salary increase due to above satisfactory evaluation (from $757.65 to $814.47 effective April 25, 1973 to come from Division of Family Services unexpended allocation).
- Family Counseling Center to place infant on Juvenile Welfare Board funds effective April 23, 1973 for three months during which time final neurological diagnosis can be made (approximately $300.00 from present allocation) and to place another infant on Juvenile Welfare Board funds in accordance with annual agreement (funds present).
- Salaries as budgeted for May on completion of satisfactory service.
- One Division of Family Services worker to attend forum on youth related services May 9 and 10 (Daytona Beach) in place of attendance at the Child Welfare League Conference in Atlanta as previously requested.

The Board discussed a 5% six month increment in the Director's salary, then requested Dr. Edwards to include the Director's salary as an item of discussion at the next work session.

The financial statement was reviewed by the Board.

**MOTION**  
Approval of Reinvestment of Board Funds  
Dr. Coleman moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to approve the reinvestment of Board funds in the amount of $300,000.00 at bid, effective as soon as bids can be requested and returned, upon approval of Board Chairman.

Dr. Edwards reported on the child in residence at Montanari Residential Treatment Center and recommended continuing treatment for 6 months.
MOTION Approval of Continuing Treatment at Montanari

Mrs. Holland moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to approve continuing treatment for E.S. at the Montanari Residential Treatment Center for 6 more months (through November 3, 1973).

MOTION Approval on Furniture Bids

Dr. Coleman moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to leave decisions on acceptance of furniture bids up to the discretion of the Director.

MOTION Approval of Funding Non-Secure Detention Facility

Judge Page moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to approve funding for the Non-Secure Detention Program until the end of the fiscal year so that the program can immediately start hiring personnel when Federal funds are approved. Proportionately (5 months), this would amount to approximately $31,250.00. After extended discussion, the Board was in general agreement that there was a moral and ethical commitment to allocate in the 1973-74 budget at least the $43,750 remaining in the Non-Secure Detention Project for 1972-73.

The Board reviewed the reports of children in care for March and from the Division of Family Services for April.

The Activities Reports were noted by the Board.

The next meetings of the Juvenile Welfare Board will be on Wednesday, May 30, 1973 (work session) and Thursday, June 7, 1973 (work session and regular meeting) both to be held at 9:30 a.m. at the Juvenile Detention Center.

Mrs. Speer declared the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. James D. Eckert, Secretary