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JUVENILE WELFARE BOARD

Regular Meeting - April 3, 1975

PRESENT: Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. Stephen D. Mullins, Vice Chairman; Mrs. James D. Eckert, Secretary; Judge Charles W. Burke; Dr. Fred W. Hoffman, Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Services, representing Mr. Gus Sakkis; Mrs. H. W. Holland; Judge Jack A. Page and Commissioner Charles E. Rainey. 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.

Dr. Coleman opened the meeting with prayer.

Judge Charles W. Burke was welcomed as the second of the two Circuit Court Judges presently serving as Juvenile Judges and therefore the ninth member of the Juvenile Welfare Board.

The Board reviewed the expenses for February as budgeted: Check #1474 through Check #1497 dated March 10, 1975; Check #1498 dated March 21, 1975; Check #1507 dated March 26, 1975; and Check #1508 through Check #1592 dated March 31, 1975.

**MOTION**

Authorization to Write Retirement Check

Judge Page moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried to authorize writing a check for $7.53 to the Florida Retirement System in behalf of employee, William E. Neet.

**MOTION**

Approval of Items Without Exception

Judge Page moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried to approve the items without exception as follow:

A. Salaries: as budgeted for April on completion of satisfactory service.

B. Expenses: for March as budgeted.

C. Appraisal: acceptance of appraisal on Chautauqua property.

D. Minutes: of March 6, 1975; and Emergency Session March 26, 1975, which are to be signed by the Executive Director in the absence of the Secretary.

**MOTION**

Tabling Request for JWB Position on Proposed Curfew Ordinance

Commissioner Rainey moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried to temporarily table a request from Commissioner Stephens for a position statement by the Juvenile Welfare Board on the proposed curfew ordinance. Mrs. Eckert and Mrs. Mullins voted against this motion. Judge Page was temporarily out of the room.

**MOTION**

Approval of Reclassification of Position

Judge Burke moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to reclassify a Juvenile Welfare Board position from Clerk (Grade 24, Step 1) to Clerk/Typist I (Grade 25, Step 2), effective April 1, 1975.
MOTION  Authorization for JWB to Follow Cost-of-Living Policies

Mrs. Mullins moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to authorize the Juvenile Welfare Board to follow State or County policies regarding cost-of-living increases.

Judge Page requested that Dr. Edwards bring information to the next work session as to number of employees who had received 5% annual merit increments, how many had been recommended, etc. and also to bring sample copies of evaluations completed by the Juvenile Welfare Board.

Mr. Markman reported on information secured on a possible children's facility at St. Joseph's Manor site. There was general agreement that the Board was unable to fund totally such a facility. Dr. Edwards stated he was continuing to look for funding which the Board might then need to match in some percentage formula.

MOTION  Authorization for Site Survey

Mrs. Mullins moved, and Judge Page seconded a motion which carried to authorize Wedding & Associates to arrange for a site survey (not to exceed $1,700) of the Board's anticipated office building property.

Mr. Markman reported on other property he had checked into in lieu of using the Chautauqua property as a group home.

MOTION  Authorization to Put Chautauqua Property Up for Sale

Mrs. Eckert moved, and Mrs. Mullins seconded a motion which carried to authorize placing the Chautauqua property on the market at a minimum sale price of $125,000, furnished and "as is". Judge Page abstained from voting.

The Board reviewed the Budgetary Program Report for March 1975 and the quarterly financial statement.

The reports of children in care and the activity reports were noted.

Dr. Edwards informed the Board that Mr. Eddie Martin had been employed as Research and Evaluation Consultant to work with Community Services.

Dr. Edwards also informed the Board that he and Mrs. Reiner had presented a paper to the American Orthopsychiatric Association's annual meeting on March 23, 1975, in Washington D.C., "A Model for Children's Services".

The Juvenile Welfare Board PACER - Child Abuse Institute will be held April 8-10, Clearwater Point Hilton Inn.

Dr. Coleman asked Dr. Edwards to write a letter of appreciation to Mrs. Ruth Mayos, Marriage and Family Counselor, who retired on April 1, 1975 after twelve years' service with the Juvenile Welfare Board.

Dr. Coleman discussed a bill introduced to the County Delegation by Mrs. Grizzle to increase the Juvenile Welfare Board millage from 0.5 to 1.0 mills. Dr. Coleman will keep in touch with Mrs. Grizzle to provide input as to the future course of this bill.
MOTION
Authorization
Judge Page moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to authorize Mr. Glackin to approach the owner of the Barkume property with an offer to pay an appraiser of her choice to reassess said property and, if this action does not bring relief, to go ahead with condemnation proceedings.

The next meetings: April 23 and April 30 - Agency program funding presentations - at 9:30 a.m. at the Juvenile Welfare Board conference room in St. Petersburg; May 1, 1975: regular meeting at 9:30 a.m. at the Juvenile Detention Center, at which time tentative decisions on program funding requests will be prioritized.

Mrs. James D. Eckert, Secretary