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JUVENILE WELFARE BOARD

Meeting May 4, 1972

PRESENT: Mrs. H. W. Holland, Chairman; Mrs. Marilyn Robinson, Secretary; Mrs. William C. M. Bissell; Mrs. Roy M. Speer; Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr.; Superintendent of Public Instruction Nicholas G. Mangin; and Juvenile Court Judges Jack A. Page and William L. Walker. Also present: Dr. George H. Finck, Director; Dr. Raymond L. Edwards, Assistant Director.

The minutes of the April 13th meeting were read by the Board members and approved on a motion of Mrs. Speer, seconded by Superintendent Mangin.

MOTION Mrs. Robinson moved, and Mrs. Speer seconded a motion which carried Approval of Expenditures for April to approve the expenditures for April: Checks #996 through 1046 dated May 4, 1972 and Checks #1047 and #1048 dated May 31, 1972.

MOTION Judge Walker moved, and Mrs. Bissell seconded a motion which carried, Approval of Salaries as Budgeted for May to approve the salaries as budgeted for May on condition of completion of satisfactory service.

The financial statement for April was reviewed by the Board.

MOTION Judge Page moved, and Mrs. Bissell seconded a motion which carried, Increase of Funds in Protective Service Emergency Fund to increase to \$400.00 the amount of money to be advanced to the Protective Services Unit of the Division of Family Services with the understanding that the total amount to be spent would not exceed the budgeted limit of \$2,400.00 a year.

MOTION Superintendent Mangin moved, and Judge Walker seconded a motion which carried, Transfer of Funds to approve the transfer of \$8,642.08 from the income received by the Board to the budget item for National Study Service in order that these funds may be spent.

MOTION Mrs. Speer moved, and Mrs. Bissell seconded a motion which carried, Disposal of old Furniture to approve the sale, trade, or gift of an old wooden desk, Inventory #9.

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

Mrs. Speer reported for the Transition and Continuity Committee which in addition to her as Chairman was composed of Mrs. Robinson, Dr. Coleman, and Judge Walker. Mrs. Speer stated that it was the report of the committee that Dr. Edwards should be named as Acting Director at a salary of \$21,000.00 in order to grant time to review all applications for the position of Director.

MOTION Judge Page moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried, Acceptance of Committee Report to accept the report of the Committee to appoint Dr. Edwards as Acting Director at a salary of \$21,000.00 a year.

MOTION Judge Page moved, and Mrs. Speer seconded a motion which carried, that upon the date of Dr. Finck's leaving, June 17, 1972, Dr. Edward's salary be increased to \$21,000.00 be it his present position as Assistant Director or as Acting Director.

The Board discussed possible changes in meeting times and agreed that there would be a study session on Wednesday, May 24th, a regular Board meeting on June 1st, and two meetings with the National Study Service on June 8th, the morning meeting to begin at 10:00 a.m. with the Board members and the afternoon meeting at 1:30 p.m. with the Citizens Committee.

The revised draft of the policies and procedures statement was again discussed by the Board. There was considerable discussion as to whether this statement should be acted on by the Board at this time or whether consideration of it should be deferred until the appointment of a permanent director.

MOTION Superintendent Mangin moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried, to approve the revised draft of the statement on Adoption of Policies and Procedure Statement and on a show of hands Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Speer, Superintendent Mangin, and Dr. Coleman voted affirmatively and Mrs. Bissell and Judges Page and Walker voted against the motion.

The Board discussed and reviewed the budgets presented for fiscal year 1972-73 by Family and Children's Services, Inc., by the Juvenile Court for the special group homes, and by the License Board for Children's Centers and Family Day Care Homes. Mr. Wesley Jenkins, Executive Director of Family and Children's Service requested the Board to permit him to transfer funds to employ an additional social worker as of June 1, 1972 because he had an opportunity to employ an exceptionally well-trained Black social worker whom he feared he would lose if the appointment were delayed until October 1. There was considerable discussion as to whether this request was in violation of the statement on policies and procedures already passed by the Board.

MOTION Dr. Coleman moved, and Mrs. Speer seconded a motion which carried, to permit the Family and Children's Service, Inc. to transfer unused funds from boarding care to the employment of an additional social worker as of June 1, 1972. Approval of additional Social Worker for Family & Children's Service Judge Walker voted against the motion.

Dr. Finck announced that Mrs. Reiner would be leading an Institute "Pregnancy Counseling" to be given at the meeting of the Child Welfare League of America, Mobile, Alabama June 8th to 9th, 1972.

The Activities Reports were reviewed in detail by the Board.

Since there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting of the Juvenile Welfare Board will be a Study Session on May 24th and the monthly Board meeting will be on June 1st, both meetings at the Juvenile Court Center at 9:30 a.m.

Mrs. Marilyn Robinson
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