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Mr. Sokol discussed the cost of the Information and Referral System for August, September and October, including the Juvenile Welfare Board share. The total three month cost of the program amounted to $6,961.13 which included $1,076.18 in certified public expenditures. The reimbursement due from the Juvenile Welfare Board (per written agreement) was $3,471.16. The Board reviewed the categories of services provided by the Information and Referral Program. At least 57.6% of the services was related to children.

Mr. Sokol informed the Board that due to changes in federal guidelines regulating the use of IV-A and XVI funds, the Division of Family Services is terminating financial support of all Information and Referral programs throughout the State effective December 31, 1972.

Mr. Lash reported the United Way Board had voted to continue current funding of the program. Mr. Sokol requested the Juvenile Welfare Board continue funding the program for two months, at which time a modified Information and Referral program will be presented for the Board’s consideration.

**MOTION**

Mr. Brumfield moved, and Mrs. Robinson seconded a motion which carried to release the requested funds to the Information and Referral System on a monthly basis for a two month period and then reevaluate the program.

Mr. Ken Williams discussed a prospectus for coalition funding for the planning and development of the comprehensive Homemaker Program by the Planning Division of the United Way. The Homemaker Steering Committee composed of representatives of various agencies interested in the Homemaker program has developed and endorsed the proposal. INSTEP would contribute up to $5,000, United Way would contribute up to $7,592.00 in staff time, and the Juvenile Welfare Board was requested to contribute up to $5,441.36.

**MOTION**

Dr. Coleman moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to release up to $5,441.36 for planning and development of the Homemaker Program from funds already allocated in the 1972-73 Budget for the Homemaker Program. Additional funding sources will be pursued. The Board directed Dr. Edwards and Mr. Williams work out details of a contract and report back to the Board.

Mrs. Holland moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to approve as mailed the minutes of November 2, 1972 and November 29, 1972.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Robinson moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried to approve the expenditures for November: Checks #1797 through #1849 dated December 7, 1972; and Check #1850 dated December 29, 1972; and directed #1841 be held until final reports from the National Study Service have been received and accepted.
Mrs. Holland moved, and Mrs. Robinson seconded a motion which carried to grant the request of the Division of Family Services for geographic pay adjustments for Clerk Typist II and Transcriber Operator positions with the adjustment for the Clerk Typist II retroactive to November 6, 1972. Both positions are now budgeted at $4,595.95.

Commissioner Brumfield moved, and Mrs. Robinson seconded a motion which carried to approve a request to extend necessary sick leave for Betty A. Simpson because of illness incurred in the line of duty.

Mrs. Robinson moved, and Commissioner Brumfield seconded a motion which carried to approve salaries as budgeted for December on completion of satisfactory service.

The financial statement for November 1972 was reviewed by the Board. The best acceptable bid on the Certificates of Deposit was submitted by The Florida National Bank at St. Petersburg.

Mrs. Eckert moved, and Commissioner Brumfield seconded a motion which carried to accept the bid from The Florida National Bank at St. Petersburg for investment of Certificates of Deposit.

The Board reviewed the reports of children in care for October and from the Division of Family Services for November. Judge Page reported the second boys group home was nearing completion of renovations. Additional homes from the LEAA grant are nearly ready to open. Judge Page reported complete cooperation from the Division of Family Services in moving children into shelter homes at a rapid pace.

Commissioner Brumfield moved, and Judge Page seconded a motion which carried to confirm the appointment of the Personnel Committee - Dr. Coleman, Mrs. Eckert, Mrs. Speer and Judge Walker.

There was a discussion of the need for an up-to-date audit of the Juvenile Welfare Board and the necessity for a yearly audit thereafter.

Commissioner Brumfield moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried to have Dr. Edwards and Mr. Glackin draft a resolution from the Board to the Chairman of the Legislative Delegation and to send a copy to every member of that body requesting an immediate audit from the State Auditor's office.

The draft of the Director's contract was distributed to the Board for study and further discussion at the next meeting.

Dr. Edwards and Mr. Glackin were directed to reword the Compensatory/Overtime policy statement for further action at the next meeting.

Dr. Edwards reported on the cost of the National Study Service reports.
Commissioner Brumfield moved, and Mrs. Robinson seconded a motion which carried to give the Director authority to get bids and use his own discretion in having the National Study Service reports printed.

There will be no work session in December 1972. The next meetings of the Juvenile Welfare Board will be on January 4 and January 24 (work session) 1973 at 9:30 a.m. at the Detention Center. The Board has been invited to have its February 1, 1973 meeting at the Eckerd Townhouse.

The Board noted the Activities Reports.

Dr. Coleman moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried that the meeting be closed.