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PRESENT: Mrs. Roy M. Speer, Chairman; Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Vice Chairman; Mrs. James D. Eckert, Secretary; Mrs. H. W. Holland; 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; Mr. Frank P. Glackin, Attorney; and Mr. William E. Neet, Project Playpen Supervisor.

Following a work session on the 1973-74 budget, Mrs. Speer called the regular meeting to order. Mr. Sakkis was present for the work session, but was excused prior to the regular meeting in order to meet pressing demands.

MOTION
Approval of Director's Anniversary Date Change
Mrs. Holland moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to change the Director's employment anniversary date from November 1 to October 1 to coincide with the budget year.

MOTION
Approval of Expenditures
Dr. Coleman moved, and Judge Walker seconded a motion which carried to approve the expenditures for May: Check #2570 thru Check #2644 dated June 7, 1973 and Check #2645 and Check #2646 dated June 29, 1973; also, Check #2492 dated May 18, 1973.

MOTION
Approval of Items Without Exception
Judge Walker moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried to approve the following requests without exception (Item 2.C. "Travel" had been deleted):

- A 5% cost-of-living increment for the Juvenile Welfare Board, License Board, and Project Playpen staff, effective June 1, 1973.
- Salaries as budgeted for June and July on completion of satisfactory service.
- Telephone poll to employ Secretary (Miss Nadine Smith), effective May 29, 1973, at a starting annual salary of $5,262.40; and Information and Communication Specialist (Mr. Ted Hale), effective June 1, 1973, at a starting annual salary of $9,006.40.
- Reclassification of Mrs. June Schreck from Clerk-Typist to Secretary/Receptionist (Clearwater) at a starting annual salary of $6,406.40, effective June 1, 1973.
- Authorization for Director to employ Planning-Funding and Research-Evaluation Specialists each at starting annual salary of up to $13,291.20 as soon as suitable personnel are available and with approval of Personnel Committee Chairman.
- Authorization for Director to approve line item transfers in agencies' budgets within any agency's total allocation as a policy position of the Board.
- Authorization for Director to withhold requests for letters of support until details of plan have been reviewed by Director and discussed with requesting agency as a policy position of the Board.
Authorization for Director to dispose of inventory Item #32, of no monetary value, in the most useful way.


MOTION
Removal from Agenda of 3rd Item
Dr. Coleman moved, and Judge Walker seconded a motion which carried to remove item concerning secondary employment of employees from consideration since the Board felt this authority was within the scope of the Director's authority.

MOTION
Approval of Acting Director during Director's Vacation
Mrs. Eckert moved, and Dr. Coleman seconded a motion which carried to approve Mr. William E. Neet as Acting Director of the Juvenile Welfare Board during the Director's vacation.

MOTION
Approval of Group Home Request for Purchase of Furniture
Dr. Coleman moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried to grant the request of Mr. R. C. Henry (Group Home Supervisor) for $1,000 with which to purchase furniture for Group Home #2 for Boys from unexpended allocation.

The Board reviewed the financial statement for May, 1973.

The reports of children in care for April and from the Division of Family Services for May were noted by the Board.

The Activities Reports were reviewed by the Board.

A special budget meeting of the Juvenile Welfare Board was scheduled Tuesday, June 12, 1973, 9:30 a.m., the Juvenile Detention Center. During this special budget meeting the Board requested the Director to present them with options in order to follow Mr. Glackin's opinion regarding the impact which the recently passed millage rollback law had on the Juvenile Welfare Board. Mr. Glackin had previously stated there was no direct effect because the Board did not actually "levy" a tax, but rather certified "dollars" to the Board of County Commissioners. However, there was general agreement that the 1973-74 Juvenile Welfare Board budget should attempt to remain within 115% of the 1972-73 total program budget in order to comply with the intent of the new statute and to show beyond question the financial responsibility of the Juvenile Welfare Board. Thus, it will be necessary to reduce the agency requests by approximately $200,000.

The Board will not meet in July. Thus, a work session to be followed by a regular meeting will be held August 2, 1973.

Mrs. Speer declared the meeting adjourned.