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JUVENILE WELFARE BOARD

Regular Meeting - December 14, 1978

PRESENT: Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Mr. Joseph R. Ponds, Jr., Vice Chairman; Mrs. James D. Eckert, Secretary; Mrs. H.W. Holland; and Judge Robert F. Michael. Also present: Dr. Raymond L. Edwards, Executive Director; Mrs. Mary L. Broadwater, Administrative Secretary; Mr. William M. Markman, Business Administrator; Mr. Carl E. Meisner, Planning and Funding unit; and Mr. Frank P. Glackin, Attorney at Law.

Dr. Coleman asked Judge Michael to open the meeting with prayer.

Mr. Glackin discussed the alternatives in initiating legislation to increase the maximum millage authorized to the Juvenile Welfare Board. Both he and Mr. Leonard Cooperman believe that another referendum is not needed, but that an opinion by the Attorney General on this matter is important.

Dr. Edwards said that he had contacted members of the Pinellas County Legislative Delegation or their aides (except the ones representing Tampa and Pasco County) and found not one that would object to discussing the Juvenile Welfare Board request for additional millage. He felt the response would be more favorable if the millage were obtained by referendum; and that, if the Delegation were to consider an increase without a referendum, the increase in millage requested should be less. The bill would have to be drafted to meet a January 1, 1979 deadline.

MOTION Judge Michael moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to
Approval to have Mr. Glackin draft a local bill specifying that the Juvenile Welfare
Draft Local Board receive funds from the annual levy of ad valorem taxes of up to .7
Bill of a mill, without a referendum.

MOTION Mrs. Eckert moved, and Mr. Ponds seconded a motion which carried to autho-
Authoriza- rize the employment of a Secretary I (Entry step of Grade 29 - \$629.20) for
tion to the Juvenile Welfare Board Community Services unit, effective immediately.
Employ No increase in the current allocation is needed at this time.
Sec'y. I

Mr. Glackin informed the Board that the life estate held by Mrs. Boyd had been extinguished by her death, and that her attorney, Mr. William Carey, had asked the Board's indulgence in quitting the property until the end of January 1979.

Mr. Glackin noted that Prudential had returned the \$2,000 mentioned in the first motion of December 8, 1977, and that that sum would need to be treated as ordinary salary by Dr. Edwards. Accordingly,

MOTION Mrs. Eckert moved, and Judge Michael seconded a motion which carried to
Approval to amend the motion of December 8, 1977 to show that the aforesaid minutes of
Amend Motion December 8, 1977 be modified to reflect that the retirement annuity under
of 12/8/77 IRS 501C3 is unavailable to Dr. Edwards; and, therefore, the \$2,000 withheld
shall be paid forthwith to Dr. Edwards as salary, the same to be done within
calendar year 1978. It is understood, however, that said salary reflects the
merit increment effective the prior fiscal year, i.e., commencing October 1,
1977.

MOTION
Approval of
Minutes

Mrs. Eckert moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried to approve the minutes of November 9, 1978 as mailed through the line specifying conference room usage, and the remainder (which concerned Dr. Edwards' evaluation and compensation) as presented by Mr. Glackin.

MOTION
Approval of
Operation
PAR Request

Mr. Ponds moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to approve the request of Operation PAR to reimplement the Substance Abuse Primary Prevention Project on January 2, 1979 in the amount of \$19,728. \$662 of this amount will be used to purchase supplies for the program, which will be reimbursed as they are sold to participants. \$5,693, which reflects the lapse of funds from October 1, 1978 through December 1978, will be reallocated to the Contingency Fund of the Juvenile Welfare Board.

MOTION
Approval of
CYS Request

Judge Michael moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to approve the request of Community Youth Services to reallocate the residual of \$10,275 from the position of Fiscal Administrator to that of the new position of Executive Director. This motion specifically withheld action on the use of the program's lapse funds as requested by Community Youth Services until further staff review and recommendation.

MOTION
Authoriza-
to Remove
Stolen Items
from Inventory

Mrs. Holland moved, and Mr. Ponds seconded a motion which carried to authorize the removal of inventory items #105, #226, #176, and #645 (four typewriters); and #870 (calculator), all stolen in the Clearwater office burglary.

MOTION
Authoriza-
tion to Re-
place Stolen
Property

Judge Michael moved, and Mr. Ponds seconded a motion which carried to authorize the transfer of \$2,193.18 from the Contingency Fund to replace the stolen items. \$1,570.68 of this amount will go to License Board Capital Outlay for 2 Adler Typewriters @ \$745.34 each and 1 calculator (\$80); and \$622.50 will be transferred to Administration for 1 Adler typewriter. One typewriter is not being replaced at this time. The amount recovered from the insurance company will be placed in the Revenue Account at the recommendation of the auditor.

MOTION
Approval of
Personnel
Practices
Manual
Revisions

Mrs. Eckert moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried to approve the revisions to the Personnel Practices Manual as presented by Mr. Markman. (Attached to minutes as addendum.)

MOTION
Approval of
Employees'
Recognition
Plan

Mrs. Holland moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to approve longevity recognition for employees: a certificate for five to nine years, and a plaque beginning with ten years of employment.

A number of the Board members expressed a desire to meet new staff and to be invited to the annual staff meeting.

Mr. Meisner reported that the Fifth Annual Legislative Workshop sponsored by the Board had been well-attended, with legislators encouraging the Board not only to continue the local workshops, but also to expand the concept to legislative delegations in other communities.

Mr. Meisner reported on the 1979-80 letters of intent to request funding from the Juvenile Welfare Board. The estimated amount needed to continue the present programs would be \$3,886,343; to expand the present programs, \$240,817; and to add new programs, \$226,498. As of this date, there were 12 new program requests. The complete figures will be sent to the Board prior to the January meeting.

A report on the distribution of services countywide, which had been prepared by the Research and Evaluation unit, was noted by the Board. In general, services provided by the Juvenile Welfare Board are representative countywide when population, juvenile delinquency statistics, and "poverty pockets" are considered.

Dr. Edwards recommended that action be withheld on consideration of a 4% cost-of-living increment to staff operating under Juvenile Welfare Board personnel practices until the Board of County Commissioners met on December 19, 1978 to consider a similar increment for County employees.

Several letters from the Salvation Army thanking the Juvenile Welfare Board for the use of its facility and staff were noted by the Board.

The Board also reviewed a *St. Petersburg Times* editorial exploring public feeling on taxes.

Dr. Coleman called attention to a letter from the Eckerd Foundation explaining the new contractual arrangements between the Foundation and the State.

A letter from the Human Resources Department of the City of Jacksonville stated that their city was beginning a study patterned after the Juvenile Welfare Board's *State of the Child Plan*.

The conference room daily usage for November was 66.

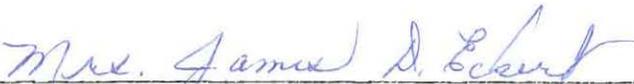
Dr. Coleman declared the meeting adjourned.

The next meetings of the Juvenile Welfare Board are as follow:

January 11, 1979 - Presentation of Comprehensive Mental Health Services.

February 8, 1979 - *State of the Child Plan* revisions; Annual Report.

Workshops: 12/15/78 - Stress (Safety Harbor Spa)
 3/13-14/79 - Adolescence (Joy Johnson)
 4/26-27/79 - Sexual Abuse (Henry Giarretto)
 6/7-8/79 - Crisis Intervention (Homebuilders Project).



 Mrs. James D. Eckert, Secretary