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JUVENILE WELFARE BOARD

Regular Meeting - December 8, 1977

PRESENT: Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. Stephen D. Mullins, Vice Chairman; Mrs. James D. Eckert, Secretary; Mrs. H. W. Holland; Judge Jack A. Page and Mr. Joseph R. Ponds, Jr. 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.

MOTION Mrs. Mullins moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to
Approval to grant a 5% merit increment effective October 1, 1977 to Dr. Edwards and
Establish to withhold \$2,000 from his salary to pay into a retirement annuity in
Retirement December 1977, which amount would be paid directly to Prudential and
Annuity would be subject to removal by Dr. Edwards pursuant to the terms of the
Prudential contract. Both Dr. Coleman and Dr. Edwards would sign the
contract with Prudential. A copy of the contract is attached and in-
corporated herein by reference.

Mr. Glackin, Dr. Edwards and the Board members discussed the recent Sundown Act hearing and the draft bill sponsored by Senator Saylor. The Board asked that Mr. Glackin, in conjunction with Mr. Leonard Cooperman, prepare a rebuttal brief and submit it to the Board for consideration as soon as possible.

Mr. Ponds arrived during the above discussion.

The Board agreed that Mr. Glackin should go ahead and draft an amendment to the Juvenile Welfare Board Act as spelled out in the November 10, 1977 minutes but withhold action on it at the present time. Mr. Glackin mentioned that there was no severability clause in the Act as it now stands, and that if the Act were amended anyway, it might be well to include one.

Mrs. Holland and Dr. Edwards may meet with Senator Saylor at the Board's direction after reviewing the brief being prepared by Mr. Glackin.

MOTION Mrs. Mullins moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to ap-
Approval of prove the items without exception as follow:
Items With-
out Exception

- A. Minutes of November 10, 1977.
- B. Addition to minutes of October 13, 1977 - add "*and Evening Independent*" after caption and body of last motion, directly following "*St. Petersburg Times*".

MOTION Mrs. Mullins moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried to ap-
Approval of prove the request from the Pinellas Association for Retarded Children to
PARC Request increase the deficit tuition amount from \$100 to \$300 per client per month;
and to transfer \$4,590 from respite care in the Residential Cottage to partially fund the deficit in the salaries of the Physical Therapist and the Speech Therapist. The Physical Therapist salary will be reimbursed at the rate of 21.9% and the Speech Therapist will be reimbursed at the rate of 20.7%. This action was made effective December 1, 1977 and involved no increase in the total allocation.

MOTION
 Authorization
 to Change
 San Antonio
 Village
 Action

Judge Page moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to amend the motion of November 10, 1977 affecting the San Antonio Boys Village by striking the status restriction, thereby leaving it open for all Pinellas County youth including present youth who are committed and to add "emergency" as the type supplement approved.

MOTION
 Authorization
 for Panels
 and Furniture

Mrs. Mullins moved, and Mrs. Eckert seconded a motion which carried to authorize the Business Administrator to purchase additional furniture and panels from Westinghouse for approximately \$7,000 because of additional staff hired since October 1, 1977.

Dr. Edwards updated the Board on tentative plans that the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services has for funding Pinellas Youth Homes. He had hoped to have a written proposal from Pinellas Youth Homes for a secure shelter program for the Board.

MOTION
 Authorization
 to Proceed
 with HRS-LEAA-
 PYH Plan

Mrs. Holland moved, and Judge Page seconded a motion which carried to give Dr. Edwards discretion in working out arrangements between Health and Rehabilitative Services, LEAA (Law Enforcement Assistance Administration) and Pinellas Youth Homes to substitute approximately \$50,000 of the Juvenile Welfare Board's local match contribution with the same amount from Health and Rehabilitative Services. Any amount of Juvenile Welfare Board funds freed by such arrangements could then be allocated by the Juvenile Welfare Board to another high priority program or programs during this fiscal year.

Dr. Edwards will, at a later date, inform the Board of exactly what action has been taken regarding this motion.

MOTION
 Approval to
 Send Board
 Members to
 Workshop

Mrs. Eckert moved, and Mrs. Holland seconded a motion which carried to approve payment of registration fees for any Board members who wish to attend the Institute for Voluntary Organization, January 25, 1978, Tampa, Florida.

Dr. Edwards informed the Board that the conference room average daily usage for November was 53.

The Board declined the request of Project Playpen, Inc. for the Board to appoint a person to serve on the Project Playpen Board.

MOTION
 Approval of
 Special Merit
 Increment

Mrs. Mullins moved, and Judge Page seconded a motion which carried to approve a special merit increment for Robert T. Glenn (to Grade 39 step 3 - \$13,166.40), Marriage and Family counselor, effective January 1, 1978, to come from lapse funds in the Marriage and Family Counseling unit.

A copy of Dr. Edwards' wrap-up address to the Juvenile Welfare Board Legislative Workshop on November 1, 1977 was distributed to the Board members.

Dr. Edwards informed the Board that there had been another crisis in day care funds which might affect Project Playpen.

Mrs. Mullins mentioned that she had recently attended the workshop in communication skills and had found it very worthwhile.

Dr. Coleman declared the meeting adjourned.

The next meetings of the Juvenile Welfare Board will be at 9:30 a.m. as follow: January 12, 1978 - Regular meeting to be held at Family Counseling Center, 2960 Roosevelt Blvd., Clearwater; and February 9, 1978 - Regular meeting.

Mrs. James D. Eckert
 Mrs. James D. Eckert, Secretary