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Meeting in Clearwater

November 3, 1966

PRESENT: Dr. Robert E. Coleman, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. Charles S. Baker, who acted as Secretary; Mrs. Roy Speer; Acting Superintendent of Public Instruction James Gollattscheck; County Commissioner Robert L. Weatherly. Also present: Dr. George H. Finck, Director; Mrs. Elouise Irwin, Director of State Department of Public Welfare District #4; and Mr. Theodore Hanscom, Supervisor of Protective Services.

Dr. Coleman introduced the Board members appointed by Governor Haydon Burns: Mrs. Charles S. Baker and Mrs. Roy Speer.

MOTION

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Weatherly moved, and Dr. Gollattscheck seconded a motion which carried, to approve the minutes of the October 6th meeting.

MOTION

Approval of Expenditures for October

Dr. Gollattscheck moved, and Commissioner Weatherly seconded a motion which carried, to approve the expenditures for October: Checks #1165, 1167 through 1170, 1172, and checks #1175 through #1199, including \$64.10 expenses for Dr. Finck to attend the meeting of the American Psychiatric Association, Hollywood, Florida, October 24 to 26th.

MOTION

Approval of Salary Checks for November

Commissioner Weatherly moved, and Dr. Gollattscheck seconded a motion which carried, to approve the salary checks for November on the condition of completion of satisfactory service.

The financial report and statement for the month of October 1966 as well as the financial report and statement for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1966, were reviewed by the Board.

MOTION

Transfer to Contingency Fund

Commissioner Weatherly moved, and Dr. Gollattscheck seconded a motion which carried, to transfer \$33,169.85 in unexpended balances and surplus taxes to the Contingency fund.

The report of children in foster care for the month of September as well as the report of the 1965-66 and 1964-65 fiscal years was reviewed by the Board.

Dr. Finck announced that Mr. Brady O. Smith, Marriage and Family Counselor, had resigned effective December 31, 1966.

MOTION

Acceptance of Resignation of Mr. Smith

Dr. Gollattscheck moved, and Commissioner Weatherly seconded a motion which carried, to accept Mr. Smith's resignation with great regret and to authorize the Director to write Mr. Smith, expressing the Board's appreciation of his services over the past seven years.

MOTION

Search for Applicants

Commissioner Weatherly moved, and Dr. Gollattscheck seconded a motion which carried, to authorize expenditures for advertising and for expenses and for interviews of applicants after Dr. Finck has cleared with the County Personnel Department.

MOTION

Adjustment of Child
Guidance Clinic

Commissioner Weatherly moved to approve the requested adjustments in Child Guidance Clinic salaries with the provision that no increases exceed 5%. The motion died because of no second. Dr. Gollattscheck moved to approve the proposed adjustments, and Mrs. Speer seconded the motion which passed, with Commissioner Weatherly abstaining.

Dr. Finck reported on the activity of the Child Care Committee and the Children's Inter-racial Committee in securing a Social Worker for these children's centers. He stated that Mrs. Baya Harrison, former Board member was very much interested in promoting this plan.

MOTION

Inquiry into Federal
Funds

Commissioner Weatherly moved, and Dr. Gollattscheck seconded a motion which carried, to approve Dr. Finck's inquiry into this plan and into the possibility of securing Federal day care funds through the State Department of Public Welfare.

Mrs. Elouise Irwin, Director of State Department of Public Welfare District #4, reported on her difficulty in administering the Protective Service and Foster Care program in the Child Welfare Division. She told how she had been unable to secure the necessary office supplies and furniture for the staff. She stated that she understood that it would be possible to secure used furniture through the Civil Defense program.

MOTION

Approval of Use of
Foster Care Funds
for Furniture

Commissioner Weatherly moved, and Dr. Gollattscheck seconded a motion which carried, to approve expenses up to \$200.00 for the State Department of Public Welfare to secure used furniture through the Civil Defense Director.

Mr. Theodore Hanscom, Supervisor, reported on the number of cases that had been handled by Protective Service since the first of March. He stated that there had been 1,044 children in 410 families that they had tried to work with and that 143 of these children had required emergency placements. Of the number, 186 families were not really investigated because of the shortage of staff. He felt that for an adequate job in Protective Service, they would require a total of 12 workers instead of the current 6.

Commissioner Weatherly presented a letter that he had received from the Speech and Hearing Clinic, requesting the payment of \$578.00 for diagnosis and therapy of children in foster care. This request was discussed by Mrs. Irwin and Dr. Finck.

MOTION

Study of Request
for Speech and Hearing
Clinic

Dr. Gollattscheck moved, and Mrs. Speer seconded a motion which carried, to authorize Dr. Finck to study the situation and report to the Board next month.

MOTION

Service Award to
Mrs. Harrison

Commissioner Weatherly moved, and Mrs. Speer seconded a motion which carried, to present the Juvenile Welfare Board Service Award to Mrs. Baya Harrison for her long and distinguished service on the Juvenile Welfare Board.

The Activities Reports for the month of October were reviewed by the Board. Dr. Finck announced that he would be moving with the Child Guidance Clinic to 908 South Fort Harrison, Clearwater.

Since there was no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting of the Juvenile Welfare Board will be Thursday, December 1st, in the County Office Building, Clearwater.

Mrs. Charles S. Baker
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Acting Secretary