

JUVENILE WELFARE BOARD OF PINELLAS COUNTY
Regular Meeting of December 13, 2001
MINUTES

Present: Norma Rienhardt, Vice Chair; Cecilia Burke, Secretary; Bob Dillinger; Judge Dee Anna Farnell; Sandra Faulkner; Dr. J. Howard Hinesley; Jeanne Malchon; Bernie McCabe; John Milford; James E. Mills, Executive Director; Terry Smiljanich, Board Counsel; Amy Daly, Executive Assistant

Absent: Myrtle Smith-Carroll, Chair; Commissioner Barbara Sheen Todd

Ms. Rienhardt called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Following the addition of Item VI. B. 1. to the agenda – Senate Bill 686, a motion was made.

Agenda: A motion was made by Mr. Dillinger and seconded by Ms. Faulkner to approve the revised agenda for the December 13, 2001 regular meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: A motion was made by Mr. Milford and seconded by Ms. Malchon to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2001 regular meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

AWARDS

20 Years of Service Guy Cooley, Executive Director, Coordinated Child Care, was recognized for 20 years of service.

Take Time For Kids The following members of the Pinellas County Commissioners Youth Council were recognized for participating in the judging of the Take Time for Kids Essay Contest: Brian Aungst, Jr., Naomi Longshaw, Kim Marston, Brian Seel and Julia Stenzel.

The following Take Time for Kids Essay Contest winners were recognized: Kaylea Cosgriff, Laquill Crumity, Julius Forte, Matthew Anglen, Damion Bennett, Brandon Miller, Jonathon Wurm.

ACTION-CONSENT

Dr. Hinesley moved and Mr. Milford seconded a motion to approve the following Consent Items:

CCYD Ratify the Community Change for Youth Development (CCYD) Plan and budget; increase the cash forward revenue by \$14,342 for FY

01-02 and allocate \$14,342 for the Administration Budget-Grants and Contracts, CCYD, for FY 01-02.

Fiscal Impact: The Contracts and Grants budget will increase from \$1,075,707 to \$1,090,049.

Inventory Reduction Remove the following items from the active inventory list and authorized the disposition for all items as appropriate: I.D.#1118, IBM Typewriter; I.D.#1560, IBM Typewriter; I.D. Nos.1395, 1408, 1410, 1428, 1429, 1439, 1440, 1441, 1443, 1447, 1448, 1451, 1452, 1453, 1454, 1459, 1465, 1482, 1488, 1489, 1501, 1506, 1507, 1508, 1509, 1511, 1516, HP Brio PC's; I.D.#1449.

Fiscal Impact: The General Fixed Asset Account was reduced by \$42,103.

Safe Start Approve the release of an RFP in the amount of \$165,200 (\$220,000 annualized) for the start up and implementation of a Safe Start Partnership Center.

Fiscal Impact: The Phase II (5/1/01-10/31/02) Safe Start unallocated budget for contracts and consultation will be reduced by up to \$165,200.

The motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

Help A Child Dr. Hinesley moved and Ms. Burke seconded a motion to allocate up to \$9,156 (annualized) to Help A Child Inc.-Allyn B. Giffen Medical Placement Home Program for liability insurance expenses, October 1, 2001-September 30, 2002. The motion passed unanimously.

Fiscal Impact: The Ongoing Program Contingency Fund will be reduced from \$102,802 to \$93,646.

RCS Following questions and comment from the Board to staff and John Cunningham, Gulf Coast Legal Services and Linda Amidi, Religious Community Services (RCS), a motion was made.

Mr. Dillinger moved and Judge Farnell seconded a motion to not approve staff recommendation to allocate up to \$29,870 in Community Contingency-Unallocated funds in FY 01-02 to Religious Community Services-The Haven to continue the Domestic Violence Intervention Project and to recommend to

Religious Community Services that application for funds be made during the regular FY 02-03 budget process. The motion passed unanimously.

State Attorney COMPASS Mr. Dillinger moved and Ms. Burke seconded a motion to allocate up to \$30,000 to the State Attorney's Office for the Community Prosecuting Attorney Service System (COMPASS) component of the current State Attorney Safe School Initiative (SASS) contract, contingent upon the award of the Federal Grant from the Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice for community prosecution. The motion passed by majority. Voting "yes": Ms. Rienhardt, Ms. Burke, Mr. Dillinger, Judge Farnell, Ms. Faulkner, Dr. Hinesley, Ms. Malchon, Mr. Milford. Abstaining due to a conflict of interest, Mr. McCabe.

Executive Director's Evaluation Mr. McCabe moved and Mr. Milford seconded a motion to extend the Executive Director's contract from its current expiration date of September 30, 2002 to December 31, 2002 and to adjust the compensation upward by 3%, from \$95,585.26 to \$98,349.82. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

Health Department Dr. Claude Dharamraj, Pinellas County Health Department, presented the findings of the Pinellas County Health Needs Assessment.

Following the presentation, Ms. Malchon asked about the feasibility of making the key findings available in a brochure, and Mr. Dillinger suggested the possibility of providing the report on the JWB web site.

TPPP Debra Bara, representing the Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPPP), provided a project summary and a description of the major strategies proposed to achieve the mission of the TPPP.

Following the presentation and the finding that teens want parents as resources for information and education about sexuality and pregnancy prevention and parents want information about how to talk to children about these issues, the Board requested that staff prepare recommendations for educational programs related to the findings.

INFORMATION ITEMS

During presentation of the legislative update, Mr. Dillinger drew the Board's attention to SB 686 Legal Proceedings/Minor Children. A list of appropriations reductions made during the special legislative session was provided.

OPEN AGENDA

During the Open Agenda portion of the meeting Art O'Hara, Executive Director, 'R Club, provided written information designating Southside Fundamental Club R Earth Force as a recipient of a Youth As Resources grant. Mr. O'Hara also provided an update to the Board on the possible elimination of funding for subsidized before and after school care for school-age children.

ACTION

Subsidized Before & After School Care A motion was made by Ms. Malchon and seconded by Mr. Dillinger to instruct staff to draft a letter of concern to the Pinellas County Legislative Delegation about the possible elimination of funding for subsidized before and after school care and its financial and human impact. The motion passed unanimously.

Judge Farnell announced that this was her last JWB meeting as she would no longer be assigned to the Juvenile Court.

Prior to adjournment Mr. Tom Wedekind, Executive Director of PEHMS, representing the JWB Council of Executives, invited Board and staff to a holiday breakfast immediately following the meeting.

ADJOURN There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cecilia Burke, Secretary