

Indian River County Florida

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Children's Services Advisory Committee



Meeting Minutes - Final

February 17, 2026

Committee Members

Miranda Swanson, Chair	Brooke Sauserman	Caryn Toole	Dr. Deborah Taylor-Long
Dana King	Michael Kint	Michael Marsh	Jovany Cossio
Susan Aguirre	Susan Curtis	Tony Brown	Tina Nicholson
Wendy McDaniel	Leigh Woltjen		

CSAC STAFF:

Cindy Emerson, IRC Community Services
Ms. Maya Miller, IRC Community Services
Megan Kendrick, IRC Human Services
Robert Catapano, IRC Human Services
Ashley Baker, IRC Children Services
Commissioner Susan Adams, District 1 BCC Liaison

1. CALL TO ORDER

Miranda Swanson, Chair called the February 17, 2026 meeting of the Children's Services Advisory Grants Subcommittee to order at 3:01P.M.

2. ROLL CALL

14 Voting Members / 8 for Quorum

Present:

Miranda Swanson, Chair
Brooke Sauserman
Caryn Toole
Dana King
Dr. Deborah Taylor-Long (present after roll call)
Jovany Cossio
Leigh Woltjen (present after roll call)
Michael Kint
Michael Marsh
Susan Aguirre (present after roll call)
Tina Nicholson
Tony Brown
Wendy McDaniel

Absent:

Susan Curtis

Also Present at Roll Call:

Cindy Emerson, Community Services
Megan Kendrick, Human Services
Robert Catapano, Human Services
Ashley Baker, Children Services
Ms. Maya Miller, Community Services, Recording Secretary
Michael Zito (present after roll call and early departure)

3. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM - QUORUM WAS MET**4. ADDITIONS & DELETIONS TO AGENDA** – Miranda Swanson requested to move the Strategic Plan review to the next meeting in March.

The motion was made by **Anthony Brown** and seconded by **Michael Marsh**. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 12

Opposed 0

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by **Michael Marsh** and seconded by **Jovany Cossio**, to approve the minutes from August 25, 2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11

Opposed 0

Abstained 1: Dana King

6. COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR REPORT

- Introduction of new Chair and new committee members.
- Community Impact: CSAC Staff provided updates regarding the upcoming and past professional development opportunities with agencies, and upcoming grant workshop for CSAC members

- Communication and Engagement: CSAC Staff provided updates regarding the Coaching Academy, the community engagement and survey feedback, the social media challenge winners and campaign, and the highlights from Children's Week and the Golden Impact Awards.
- Fiscal Responsibility and Governance: CSAC Staff provided the current agency drawdown report.

7. **OLD BUSINESS**

- Site Visit Updates: Committee Members and CSAC Staff shared their insights on all of the site visits performed to date. Staff encouraged members to sign up for the remaining site visits.
- Application/Rubric Overview: CSAC Staff provided a detailed overview of what is new on the FY26-27 grant application and scoring rubric.

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

- 2024-2025 Annual Report: CSAC Staff provided an overview of the annual report and played the video which shares the highlights from the Annual Report.
- FY26/27 Needs Assessment Update: CSAC Staff provided an overview of the 2026 Executive Summary and shared the highlights for each Funding Priority.
- Quarter 1 Executive Summary: CSAC Staff shared the updates for the Q1 Executive Summary providing the total program outcomes, outcomes that are on track, that are in progress and the programs not started due to being a summer program; the summary also provided the completed site visits and the current amount of touch points.

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Public comment provided by Michael Kint and Michael Marsh and the committee members provided feedback.

10. **MEETING ADJOURNED** By Chair, Miranda Swanson at 4:55PM.

NEXT MEETING: March 24, 2026 at 3PM.

Prepared by Recording Secretary, Ms. Maya Miller