The School Board of Broward County, Florida
Central Area Advisory Council – General Meeting
Indian Ridge Middle School
September 17, 2026, 9:45-11:45am
Agenda

Call to order at 10:06 am :

Welcome

Meeting Reminders

- Remember to sign in for attendance.
- Inform Chair prior to recording meeting
- Questions will be taken at the end of presentations
- DAC Representatives must attend monthly DAC meetings to maintain their seat. After 3 absences, the seat is vacated.

Approve August Minutes – Motion to approve by Felicia Jehaludi, seconded by Dee Defoe. Approved unanimously.

Welcome to Kelsey Bailey from Nova High School as our new CAAC Student Representative!

School Spotlight by I-Zone:

Boyd Anderson	Nova	South Plantation
Dillard	Piper	Stranahan
Fort Lauderdale	Plantation	Western

All I-Zones provided an update of their schools.

Updates:

- Dr. Ted Toom and Adrienne Dixson-Paul, Central Regional Office
- Pamela Taylor, CAAC Chair Report
  - CAAC will begin using a Teams channel to share information
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- T. Nikki Watkins, Legislative Report
  - SEE ATTACHED

Guest Speakers/Presentation

Kenneth King, Children's Services Council--Director of Communications & Public Affairs

Highlights of investment and services at CSC

- CSC is funded through small portion of property tax dollars. CSC forwards funding to over 150 non profits that provide direct services to children and families in Broward County. (e.g., YMCA, JA, Career Source, Memorial Health)
- Highlights of Investment in Services:
  - $11 million Early Care and Education
  - $24 million Family Supports (family training sessions)
  - $29 million Youth Development & Delinquency
  - $20 million Out-of-School Time

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  - $19 million Special Needs
- Swim Central coupon that reduces swimming lessons
- Back to School extravaganza – 10k+ backpacks
- Social Worker boutique – backpacks, school supplies, shoes, school uniforms, and now adding toiletries
- Supports over 200k children
- Funds over 3,100 jobs at nonprofits in Broward community
- 93% of funds go directly to programs. Transparency

- Amendment 3 will affect CSC. If it doesn't pass, CSC will lose $15 million dollars the first year, $30 million dollars the second year, and $60 million dollars a year thereafter

- CSC offers to send a "community representative" to join school SACs

- SCS documents available on website in downloaded PDFs

- Kking@browardschools.com

Notes:
26-27 CAAC Meeting Schedule:

- **26-27 CAAC Meeting Schedule:** 9/17, 10/15*, 11/12, 12/10, 1/21, 2/18*, 3/11, 4/15, 5/20
- All meetings are at Indian Ridge Middle School – Media Center
- All meetings are 9:45-11:45 AM, except Oct. 15 and Feb. 18 which are 6:30-8:30 PM

CAAC Elections

Vacant Seats: Recording Secretary, Gifted Rep
Accepting Nominations of current CAAC Members

Please complete the Sunshine Law and Ethics Training prior to returning to CAAC in September (10 minutes for returning members; 45 minutes for new members): https://www.browardschools.com/community/advisories-and-committees/committee-training-program-resource-page

Volunteer Application: https://www.browardschools.com/community/volunteer/volunteer-application

Motion to adjourn at 11:44 by Amy Berman, seconded by Lila Thropes. Unanimous.

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