



**JHRC Community Relations Committee
March 5, 2012
Meeting Minutes**

Commissioners Attending:	William "Casey" Bulgin
	Dennis Wade
	Cindy Watson
	Dottie Wilson
Commissioners Absent:	Parvez Ahmed
Staff Attending:	Charlene Taylor Hill, Executive Director
	Joan Dolbear, Executive Secretary

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Dennis Wade, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

II. Old Business

A. WJCT/JHRC Civil Discourse Project

In the absence of Commissioner Parvez Ahmed, Project Chair, Ms. Hill stated Commissioner Ahmend has met with Professor Gupta to develop the outline action plan. There will be a test case first to review the process and the substance being discussed on the web.

B. Sheriff's Meeting

Commissioner Dennis Wade stated the Sheriff has agreed to establish a committee, to discuss the perception of the Jacksonville black community that they are not being treated fairly by the police, (as reported in JCCI Race Relations Progress Report. The committee would including members of the community, to help address this issue and asked Commissioner Wade to join the committee and assist in finding other members. After further discussion, it was agreed that the Community Relations Committee would develop an agenda to ask the Sheriff and invite him to attend the next committee meeting. The following topics will be included on the agenda:

1. What is the Sheriff's plans for establishing this committee?
2. What is the purpose and hope for outcome?
3. Who should be on the committee?
4. What is the role of the Commission and Sheriff's expectations?
(Committee Representative and/or JHRC Sponsored)

C. Action Items

The action items the committee will concentrate on are the Civil Discourse Project, meeting with the Sheriff regarding the perception that the black community in Jacksonville do not believe they are being treated fairly by the police and a hate crimes coalition.



III. New Business

IV. Announcements

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 2, 2012 at 10:30 a.m.

V. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.