



**Employment Committee Meeting  
March 6, 2012  
Meeting Minutes**

<b>Commissioners Present:</b>	Susan Harthill
	Yvonne McClain, Committee Chair
	Cindy Watson
<b>Commissioners Absent:</b>	Tina Comstock
	Dennis Wade
<b>Staff Present:</b>	Linda Grant-Hunter, Assistant Director Joan Dolbear, Executive Secretary

**I. Call to Order**

Commissioner Yvonne McClain, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

**II. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Commissioner Harthill and seconded by Commissioner Watson to approve the February 2, 2012 minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

**III. Old Business**

**A. JTA Update**

Commissioner McClain, Committee Chair, is scheduled to meet with JTA the week of March 12, 2012. The committee is concerned that the rate increase is an additional barrier to employment. Commissioner McClain will discuss fare reductions and possible partnerships with WorkSource and other agencies. In addition, the committee discussed advocating fare reductions for ages between 18 to 24. Commissioner Grey stated there is grant money available through the Department of Labor. This information will be forwarded to the committee.

The committee discussed having a brainstorming session with JTA, WorkSource and the Chamber of Commerce at the next meeting on April 3, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. Wayne McGovern will e-mail WorkSource to determine its availability.

**B. Chamber of Commerce**

Commissioner McClain is scheduled to meet with Mr. Quinn from the Chamber of Commerce next week.

**IV. New Business**

Commissioner Watson stated the Committee should begin thinking about the Committee's direction going forward.

Linda Grant-Hunter, Assistant Director, stated the staff is planning a "Brown Bag" program with the EEOC Executive Director for the Miami District Office and possibly an EEOC Commissioner as a keynote speaker on the topic of final rules adopted for changes to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).



Wayne McGovern will research what information the Federal Government has concerning best practices for hiring people with disabilities and research presentations from JILG presentations that he attended.

**V. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.