URBANA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MINUTES April 10, 2002

MEMBERS PRESENT: Willeta Donaldson, Lester Pritchard, Naomi Jakobsson, Ralph Langenheim, Cope Cumpston

MEMBERS ABSENT:: Marion Knight, Myrna Golden

STAFF EXCUSED: Vacellia Clark

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Urbana Human Relations Commission was called to order at 5:45 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of March 13, 2002 were reviewed.

Motion made by Ralph Langenheim to approve the minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Lester Pritchard. All voted aye. The minutes of the meeting of March 13, 2002 were approved as presented.

III. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Lester Pritchard asked to add several items to the agenda.

- 1. Discussion of Annual Report
- 2. Invitation to the Police Chief to attend April meeting.
- 3. Possible Training Session
- 4. Subcommittee Report

IV. PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Subcommittee Report

Cope Cumpston reported that the joint Anti-Hate Crime Committee held a meeting with Chief Adair of Urbana, Chief Luecking of Champaign, representatives of the Champaign County Sheriff's Office and representatives from the University of Illinois Police Department. The purpose of the meeting was to ask if the police departments have any concerns about hate crimes in the community. The consensus was that there has not been any considerable change.

Ms. Cumpston reported that there is a brochure being developed and no meeting has been scheduled at this point.

B. Possible Training

Lester Pritchard distributed a copy of a letter from Vacellia Clark for Fair Housing training.

There was a discussion concerning how many people to train. Lester Pritchard indicated that the number would probably be directed by the trainer.

Cope Cumpston asked for information from John Marshall on how they set up testing programs and their documentation.

There was consensus from the Commission that they would support this type of training.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Annual Report

Lester Pritchard reported that he has almost finished the annual report and will be emailing a copy to all commissioners for review and comment.

B. Invitation to Police Chief

Lester Pritchard reported that he and Myrna Golden have sent a memo to the Police Chief Adair inviting him to either the May or the June meeting depending upon his availability.

C. MLK Award Nomination Procedures

Lester Pritchard suggested postponing this item to the May meeting.

VII. COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

No Commissioner's Report.

VIII. OFFICER'S REPORT

A. HRO Report

A copy of Ms. Clark's monthly report was distributed and reviewed.

B. Budget Report

A copy of the budget report was distributed and reviewed.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, a motion was made by Lester Pritchard and seconded by Ralph Langenheim to adjourn. All voted aye. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

At 6:17 p.m. the meeting was reconvened briefly with all previous Commissioners present.

Chair Donaldson appointed a nominating committee consisting of Lester Pritchard and Turk Peacock. The Nominating committee will give a report at the May meeting as to persons interested in running for Chair and Vice-Chair.

A motion was made to adjourn by Ralph Langenheim and seconded by Turk Peacock. All voted aye. The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jolinda Ross Recording Secretary