

**URBANA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
MINUTES
September 10, 2003**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carl Reisman, Peter Resnick, Cope Cumpston, Marion Knight, Lisa Mosely, Ivon Ridgeway

MEMBERS ABSENT: Tatiana Camargo-Schrader

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Turhan Peacock, Alex Cater, Lester Pritchard

STAFF PRESENT: Vacellia Clark

OTHERS PRESENT: Ruth Fliegel

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

There being a quorum, Chair Knight called the meeting of the Urbana Human Relations Commission to order at 5:35 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda. All voted aye. The agenda was approved as prepared.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of August 13, 2003 were reviewed. A motion was made by Cope Cumpston and seconded by Lisa Mosley to approve the minutes. All voted aye. The minutes of the meeting of August 13, 2003 were approved as distributed.

IV. PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Chair Knight indicated that everyone should have received a memo indicating the dates for the public hearing in the Sprout v. Carle case.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Pete Resnick reported that he had a couple of issues brought to his attention that he thought might merit review by the Commission. 1) Businesses that charge different prices based on gender, i.e. haircuts, drycleaners; 2) there are certain areas of town where getting food delivery is difficult. He thought that maybe the businesses could be contacted to see if this is something problematic.

Vacellia Clark indicated that community education might be a possibility and sponsorship could be under the Commission's name.

Carl Reisman raised a concern as to whether or not these two issues are addressed under the ordinance.

Pete Resnick and Vacellia Clark will discuss further.

Cope Cumpston recommended that this be a topic for the retreat.

VII. OFFICER'S REPORT

A. HRO Activity Report

The Commission reviewed the monthly HRO report.

B. Budget Report

The Commission reviewed the budget report.

VIII. STUDENT REPORT

There was no student report this month.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vacellia Clark announced that the International Humanitarian Awards Program would be held on September 24, 2003. This event is sponsored by the City of Champaign and Champaign Human Relations Commission and will be held at the Champaign Country Club. If any commissioners are interested in attending, they should contact Vacellia Clark.

Marion Knight announced that a copy of the draft annual report has been distributed. Any comments can be sent to Lisa Mosley or Lester Pritchard prior to next month's meeting.

Marion Knight indicated that commissioners should be ready to discuss the retreat at the next meeting and to establish a date.

Vacellia Clark reported that she will be meeting with Denise Gordon and Patricia Avery to begin discussing the 2004 MLK Program.

Cope Cumpston indicated that she would keep the commission informed on the community wide MLK Program.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. All voted aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jolinda Ross
Recording Secretary