# URBANA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MINUTES February 8, 2006

**MEMBERS PRESENT**: Marion Knight, Peter Resnick, Daniel Larson, Rachael Dietkus, Lisa Mosley

### STAFF PRESENT: Vacellia Clark

## I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Knight called the meeting of the Urbana Human Relations Commission to order at 5:38 p.m.

### II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Knight asked to move New Business to IV before Public Participation. There being no objection the agenda was amended.

### **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of January 11, 2006 were reviewed. Motion by Pete Resnick to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 11, 2006. Motion seconded by Lisa Mosley. All voted aye. The minutes of the meeting of January 11, 2006 were approved.

#### IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consumer Credit Seminars

Vacellia Clark introduced Dave Cummings and Dee Davis of Integrity Mortgage Services, Inc.

Mr. Cummings gave a presentation to the Commission on the various Consumer Credit Seminars that he offers. He indicated that typically the seminars last one hour at a cost of \$500 per seminar.

A discussion followed.

Chair Knight indicated to Mr. Cummings that the Commission would review the information provided.

### VI. OLD BUSINESS

#### A. Expungement Workshop

Rachael Dietkus reported that she has contacted two different people about speaking at a workshop sponsored by the Commission. She indicated that she is trying to figure out a date when speakers would be available for late spring.

Daniel Larson provided the Commissioners with a draft of a letter to be sent regarding HB4188 – Human Rights for Ex-Offenders.

Marion Knight reported that Cope Cumpston would be resigning for the Commission and would no longer be on this subcommittee with Rachael. Daniel Larson volunteered to assist Rachael with this workshop.

Vacellia Clark asked for the Commission's direction on the credit seminar presented. She would like to get a written proposal.

A discussion followed about how this seminar would fit into the mission of the Commission.

Chair Knight asked Ms. Clark to gather more information and report back to the Commission.

## VI. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. Canaan Gala

Chair Knight reported that there was information provided in the packet about the Canaan Development Foundation's Gala to be held April 4, 2006. A discussion followed and it was agreed that this item would be placed on the agenda of the next meeting.

# VII. OFFICER'S REPORT

Ms. Clark thanked the Commission for the lovely flowers that were sent when her mother passed away.

Ms. Clark reported that the MLK Program was a big success. The program was kept down to just over one hour.

Chair Knight thanked Ms. Clark for all of her hard work that goes into putting on this program. In addition, he extended a thank you to Jolinda Ross.

Ms. Clark reported that there are two possible seminars being worked on for this year, a second Human Resources Seminar and the Expungement Seminar.

Ms. Clark reported that she paid for an ad from her budget for the YWCA Banquet.

Ms. Clark reported to the Commission that the internal process is currently going on for recruitment of the new police chief.

Chair Knight asked the Commissioners to review the letter that Daniel Larson distributed and give any suggested changes to Daniel.

# VIII. STUDENT REPORT

There was no student report.

# IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lisa Mosley announced that February 13, 2006 is National African American Parent Day.

Daniel Larson reported that he is currently producing a show for radio called Friday Forum. This show discusses the voting rights act and its impact on minority voters.

Peter Resnick commented that the Commission should note the passing of Coretta Scott King.

# X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jolinda Ross Recording Secretary