UCAP ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES King School Library October 16, 2003

In Attendance:	
Samuel Johnson	James Hayes, Jr.
Frankie Johnson	Jerry Moreland
Hayward Patterson	Leonard Christmon
Virginia Patterson	Faye Christmon
Loretha Harmon	Carol Westfield
Chester Guillory	Curtis Steiner
Robin Hall	Bobbi Volk
Eddie Adair	Bob Grewe

Chief Adair called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Bob Grewe from Community Development discussed the Fall Neighborhood Cleanup scheduled for Saturday, October 18, 2003. He distributed a memorandum written by Housing Rehabilitation Coordinator Randy Burgett summarizing the Spring 2003 Neighborhood Cleanup and addressing pertinent information about the upcoming Fall 2003 Cleanup. Mr. Grewe then circulated a sign-up sheet for volunteers and thanked the UCAP members for their continued support. He also announced that following the UCAP meeting, a "Mapping Your Neighborhood" meeting would be held at King School at 7:00 p.m. by the Community Development Planning Division. The purpose of the meeting is to get citizen input into the City's comprehensive planning process. Chief Adair urged everyone to attend.

Urbana Park District Director Robin Hall reported that the shelter and restrooms in King Park have been completed. He also reported that because the \$150,000 in grant money to be used to complete the basketball courts, tennis court resurfacing and electrical service upgrading is still frozen, those projects are still on hold. The Park District is trying to raise money for the plaza and Dr. King statue to be located at the corner of Wascher Drive and Lincoln Avenue. Robin Hall also reported that a Citizen's Advisory Committee would soon be formed to discuss a new swimming pool at Crystal Lake Park. If anyone is interested in serving on the committee, please contact him. Robin answered questions/concerns from committee members. Discussion followed.

Urbana Park District Program Supervisor Bobbi Volk gave an overview of some of the programs offered by the park district for the area youth. The academic programs are primarily for children in grades 1-5. At risk youth are targeted for the programs and

scholarships are available for those who cannot afford them. Nature programs will be added in the near future. Bobbi answered questions from committee members.

James Hayes announced that there are job openings at the University of Illinois for pipe fitters and plumbers. He also reported that Meadowbrook Farms pork-processing plant in Rantoul is also taking applications for employment.

Chief Adair reported that the UPD Street Crime Unit has been formed and consists of three patrol officers and a sergeant. They will be a problem-solving unit that will primarily be working the evening shift. The Street Crime Unit will be fully equipped and operational by December 1, 2003.

Jerry Moreland announced that the October UCAN meeting will be rescheduled for sometime in November. He will notify everyone of the date when it is determined.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Karen Lowery UPD Secretary