

Mr. Walker made a motion to approve the business applicants. Ms. Steinkamp seconded the motion and it passed unopposed.

5. Request for reinstatement through testing
Addressed in item 2.
6. Attorney's Report:
Ms. Dow deferred her report until later in the meeting and will report on agenda items as they come up.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approval of the financials:

Mr. Green made a motion to approve the financials as presented. Mr. Walker seconded the motion and it passed unopposed.

2. Election of Officers:

Mr. Gay pointed out that Mr. Shirley had been appointed temporary Vice Chairman, and there was a full board present and we could now hold an election for Vice Chairman.

Mr. Gay then opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairman. Ms. Steinkamp nominated Ms. Bonnette for Vice Chairman. There were no other nominations. Mr. Green made a motion to close nominations. Mr. Walker seconded the motion and it passed unopposed. Ms. Bonnette, as the only nominee, won the election for Vice Chairman.

3. National Convention and Change of July Meeting Date:

Ms. Bonnette made a motion to change the July meeting date to July 26, 2002 due to the dates of the National Convention. Ms. Steinkamp seconded the motion and it passed unopposed. Mr. Green made a motion that any one wishing to attend the convention could do so. Ms. Wilks informed the Board that at the request of a Board member she had looked into the matter of whether the Board could allow any member wishing to go, to attend at the Board's expense. After speaking with the Legislative Auditors office, she was informed that to send anyone wishing to go would be a misuse of funds. Board members or staff sent to a National Convention are being sent there in the capacity of their office or position, to attend meetings, learn from and network with others holding similar offices or positions from other states. Ms. Wilks also asked if this could be considered an educational expense. The answer was that this is not an educational expense, and that any CE's received at a convention are purely lagniappe. Ms. Steinkamp asked who wished to attend. Mr. Gay, Ms. Bonnette, and Ms. Wilks answered affirmatively. Mr. Walker made a motion to enter into executive session. Ms. Steinkamp seconded the motion and it passed unopposed. Ms. Steinkamp made a motion to return to regular session. Mr. Shirley seconded the motion and it passed unopposed. It was decided that the subject of who could attend the convention would be revisited later.