

INVESTIGATING COMMITTEES

These are just suggestions as to possible topics. Try to make this conversational as opposed to a list of questions.

*At a minimum, we suggest you address these items.

Someone you do not personally know-would also apply if you are writing a letter of sponsorship:

You need to meet them face to face e.g. at the lodge building, at a restaurant, at their home or at one of your homes.

- How do you know the people who signed your petition?
- How did you hear about OES?
- What got you interested in OES? *
- Why do you want to join?
- What do you know about OES?
- Have you attended any Masonic or Eastern Star activities?
- Do you believe in a supreme being? *
- Tell us about yourself e.g. family, work, hobbies, community involvement
- Would you be available for evening chapter meetings?
- How active do you think you will be?
- Please don't be offended, but is there any type of misconduct in your background that we should know about?*
- Tell them about our chapter, Grand Chapter, GGC e.g. projects, how our meetings operate, variety of ages
- What questions do you have for us?

Someone you somewhat know:

Meet face to face if possible, but talking on the phone is an option.

If a man/Mason:

- How do you know the people who signed your petition?
- What got you interested in OES?*
- Why do you want to join?
- What do you know about OES?
- Tell us about yourself e.g. family, work, hobbies, community involvement
- Tell them about our chapter, Grand Chapter, GGC e.g. projects, how our meetings operate, variety of ages
- How active do you think you will be?
- What questions do you have for us?

If a woman:

- How do you know the people who signed your petition?
- How did you hear about OES?
- What got you interested in OES?*
- Why do you want to join?
- What do you know about OES?
- Have you attended any Masonic or Eastern Star activities?
- Do you believe in a supreme being? *
- Tell us about yourself e.g. family, work, hobbies, community involvement
- Would you be available for evening chapter meetings?
- How active do you think you will be?
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If someone has been convicted of a crime and/or been incarcerated, has completed their sentence and reformed, it could potentially be okay for them to join. It depends on the crime.