

EL TEVA TEMPLE NO. 121

**Knights
of Pythias**



**Domain of
Tennessee**

MEETING MINUTES

Grand Lodge Convention – Pigeon Forge, TN June 8, 2018 – 8:00 p.m. EDT

Members of the El Teva Temple met in quarterly session at 8:00 p.m., on the above-noted date, at the Country Cascade Hotel, in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. The meeting was called to order by RV Ken Matheney, with eleven (11) members present. Minutes of the previous meeting, as well as a Treasurer's report, were unavailable as the Secretary-Treasurer was not present. In his absence, Bobby Crowe served as acting Secretary.

Acting Secretary Crow stated that the Dokey Temple has been doing nothing; meetings, reports, or communications of any type in quite some time. He added that if things didn't change, the Temple was in effect dead. Further, Crowe said that four (4) things were imperative if our Temple was to survive:

- We need to resume meeting quarterly as previously decreed,
- Collect annual dues from members as prescribed.
- Initiate better communications methods between members, and
- Make required reports to the Imperial Palace on a timely basis

The members present agreed that these changes needed to take place immediately, and a lengthy discussion ensued.

Following discussion, several members paid their annual dues with Brother Crowe holding the money until proper receipts can be obtained and then forwarded to those members. It was approved, by consensus, that the next Dokey meeting will be held at Park Lodge in Chattanooga, at noon, on Labor Day, September 3rd, prior to the lodge's annual cookout at 1:00 p.m. All Dokeys are urged to attend and participate. The next meeting date and location will be decided upon at this meeting. If you need directions to the Park Lodges Cookout, please email Jim Lynn at mardeere@aol.com.

In the meantime, all members in arrears with their dues payments will be contacted for payment. Communications will be forwarded to all members, via email and/or letter. All reports will be made if needed.

International Prelate, Mike Thornton, was visiting and attending the Grand Lodge Convention of Tennessee.

Officer election were held, and the following were members were elected unanimously via a voice vote after a proper motion was made and duly seconded; Ken Matheney - Royal Vizer; Jim Lynn - Grand Emir; Bobby Crowe-Secretary; and Mark Ward-Treasurer. Jim Lynn was asked to contact the current Secretary/Treasurer to make the transfer to the new Secretary and Treasurer.

Four (4) new applications were received for membership to EL Teva Temple 121 as follows: Steve Gregory and Mike Melton for membership by initiation (both were obligated as new members will be initiated at a later date). Mike Hartley filed an application for membership with the required fee and is to be initiated at next meeting. And, Mike Thornton, I.P. from Virginia, filed an application for dual membership with the required fee.

Secretary Crowe mentioned that he did not have a current membership roster at present, but he had sent email to the above members with copies going to Jack Pelfrey. Any other members you know, Crowe said, please give them a copy of these minutes or let them know of the upcoming meeting and that dues are due.

Please plan to attend the next Dokey meeting, September 3rd, 12 noon, at Park Lodge in Chattanooga, and help to revive our Dokeys.

Submitted by:

Bobby Crowe

Bobby Crowe, Secretary