



# CATHEDRAL SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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CSAA Purchasing of 35 sets of books – January 19,  
2022

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# CSAA

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Monrovia, Liberia

## Attendees:

| Name / Title                               |                                   |                           |                                       |
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| Wede Gant – President                      | Francis Seibure – EX V. President | Simala Wright - Secretary | Andrea Afolabi-Jallah - Chaplin       |
| Himien Jones – Tri-State Chapter President | Rillette Hammond – NY/NJ Rep      | Joyce Sakor - Treasurer   | Gulbert Taplah – NC Chapter President |

## Excused:

| Name / Title           |                                       |                                    |  |  |
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| Joyce Sakor - Treasure | Thelma Crusoe-Holmes – Chair C.S.E.F. | Agatha Joseph FL Chapter President |  | Cephas Acolaste – TX Chapter President |

## Agenda:

### 1. Cathedral School Text Books Purchase - \$7,012.25.

- a. The Executive Committee voted and approved purchasing 35 sets of books. Light Anchor Business was the chosen vendor to provide the Aki Ola Series for \$7,012.50.
  - i. Bewis Enterprise: 35 sets of Aki Ola Series; \$7,857.00.
  - ii. Light Anchor Business: 35 sets of Aki Ola Series; \$7,012.50.
  - iii. Stella Maris Book Store: 35 sets of Aki Ola Series; \$8,505.00

### b. Challenges & Recommendations

- i. The Executive Committee does not have a liaison to implement its decision at the school therefore, will refrain from making such decision.
- ii. The books that were donated three weeks earlier are still in bins in storage. The lack of accountability is a challenge for the committee to enforce after its decision has been taken. The Class of 1988, ALAWAH, donated materials for elementary and junior students. The materials are still in the bins. Until the school demonstrates that the books are being accessible and used by the students and teachers, there should be no further materials donated.
- iii. The library for both junior and senior students have a lot of outdated and unnecessary books posing a challenge to having updated books and materials.

- iv. Mrs. Gray demonstrated lack of willingness to advocate and provide the necessary information for the teachers and students to be successful. The organization should be judicious and more targeted in its support to the school. The current tuition is as follows per student: elementary \$200.00+; junior \$300.00 +; and senior \$400.00+.
- v. The alumni association can help organize the PTA at the school which will improve accountability.
- vi. Five water coolers were donated by an alumni for use by the school, and are all in storage and not placed at locations on campus for the students to access.