

MIDDLETON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEETING

September 12, 2020

Started at 11:09am

Present:

Phan Boston,
Patricia Cooper,
Nicole Donnell,
Yvonne Douglas,
Ronita Durant,
Artie Fryer,
Fred Hearn,
Vivian Kitchen,
Apolonia Mendoza,
Luvator Nelson,
Vicki Sabree,
Calvin Simmons,
Woodrow Simmons,
Albert Smith,
Debra Smith,
Jeannette Williams

LUVATOR...Glad to see everybody aboard--we will go right into the agenda. Does everyone have their agenda available? Because we are going to make this meeting very smooth and just follow the agenda. We always want to do that by starting out with a prayer from Woody.

WOODROW...Prayer

LUVATOR... Has everyone had a chance to read the minutes? (All said yes)

Can I get a motion to accept the minutes?

WOODROW...So moved

ALBERT...Second

LUVATOR... OK it has been moved and properly seconded that we accept the Minutes as printed. All those in favor... (all agreed). Ok; moving right along. Can we have the financial report from Pat Cooper, please.

ALBERT... I think she is on a call.

CALVIN... But if she is on a call, I have a copy of the report.

ALBERT...I think she is trying to unmute now. Can you hear us Pat?

NICOLE...We are getting extra feedback. Someone is on the cell phone and their computer at the same time; so please just mute one or the other.

ALBERT...I think that is Fred's phone. Ok, he has muted it now.

LUVATOR... Apparently Pat is not available at this moment. Calvin can you go ahead and give us the financial report?

CALVIN... The financial report August 1st through August 31st 2020.

MIDDLETON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION	
FINANCE REPORT	
AUGUST 1, 2020 - AUGUST 31, 2020	
OPENING BALANCE	AUGUST
MSH SCHOOL ALUMNI CHECKING	\$ 8,003.14
MSH BUSINESS SAVINGS	\$ 3,971.66
TOTAL OPENING BALANCE	\$ 11,974.80
DEPOSITS	AUGUST
Lifetime Membership Dues	\$ 900.00
Gold Membership Dues	\$ 300.00
Maroon Membership Dues	\$ 75.00
REGULAR MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$ 290.00
ASSOCIATE DUES	\$ 20.00
MSH BUSINESS SAVINGS SCHOLARSHIP DONATION	\$ 25.00
MSH BUSINESS SAVING INTEREST	\$ 0.16
RAFFLE TICKETS	\$ 400.00
DEPOSIT TRANSFER FROM SAVINGS TO BUSINESS CONVENIENCE	\$ 2,996.66
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$ 5,006.82
GRAND TOTAL CHECKING	\$ 16,981.62
EXPENSES	AUGUST
ADMINISTRATIVE	
DEBIT TRANSFER TO CHECKING	\$ 2,996.66
WEBSITE DESIGN	\$ 375.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	\$ 3,371.66
SCHOLARSHIPS	
THREE MIDDLETON HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS	\$ 3,000.00
TOTAL SCHOLARSHIPS	\$ 3,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 6,371.66
ENDING BALANCE	\$ 10,609.96
ALL ACCOUNTS	
MSH SCHOOL ALUMNI BUS. CONVENIENCE PLUS	\$ 9,609.80
MSH SCHOOL ALUMNI BUSINESS SAVINGS	\$ 1,000.16
GRAND TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS	\$ 10,609.96

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MIDDLETON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION	
FINANCE REPORT	
AUGUST 1, 2020 - AUGUST 31, 2020	
AUGUST MEMBERSHIP PAYMENTS	
NAME	AMOUNT
ADAM J. RICHARDSON	\$500.00
ALBERT SMITH	\$ 400.00
RONITA DURANT	\$ 100.00
RAYMOND EDWARDS	\$ 100.00
HOWARD HARRIS	\$ 100.00
CALVIN SIMMONS	\$ 75.00
CYNTHIA OWENS BROWN	\$ 30.00
PATRICIA COOPER	\$ 30.00
YVONNE DOUGLAS	\$ 30.00
MILTON EARLY	\$ 30.00
BARBARA GRAYSON	\$ 30.00
WILLIAM GRAYSON	\$ 30.00
EVA JAMES	\$ 25.00
CAROL JARRETT	\$ 30.00
VIVIAN KITCHEN	\$ 30.00
MATTIE LIGON	\$ 25.00
KIMBERLY MCDONALD	\$ 20.00
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	\$1,585.00
MEMBERSHIP	
LIFETIME	
LIFETIME	
GOLD	
GOLD	
GOLD	
MAROON	
REGULAR	
ASSOCIATE	

CALVIN...Our opening balance in August Middleton Alumni High School checking; \$8003.14. our business savings, \$3971.56. Our opening balance total \$11974.80. Our deposits and all the lifetime membership dues \$900, Gold membership dues \$300 maroon membership dues, \$75, regular membership dues \$290, associate dues\$20, business saving scholarship donations \$25 business savings interest \$16.10. Raffle ticket monies received \$400. Deposit transfers from savings to business convenience account \$2996.56, total deposits \$5006.82 which gives us a grand total in the checking account of \$16981.62. The Expenses: August-debit transfers to checking \$2996.56 and our website design payment \$375. Total administrative expenses in the month of August \$3371.56. Scholarships – 3 Alumni scholarships were paid for a total of \$3000. Total amount of expenses that we had for the month of August \$6371.66 and we have an ending balance for the of month of August of \$10609.96. A little note here, all accounts high school, business convenience club account \$9609.80. The alumni business savings account \$1000.16. That gives us the ending balance of \$10609.96 and we have an attached list of the members who paid... I do not think you need me to read all these names, I am just holding it up, there is a list here when you print your report you can read that.

LUVATOR...Any questions, concerns regarding the financial report? And if someone does not have a copy just let Yvonne know and she will email you a copy.

CALVIN... She already mailed them, but I got that one from Jeannette.

LUVATOR...Ok. Thank you very much Calvin.

CALVIN...Woody said something about a motion to accept.

LUVATOR...Someone said, "so moved" after I asked for a motion ...did you get that Ronita?

ALBERT... That was the previous one. I move that we accept the financial report as presented.

RONITA... I second.

LUVATOR...It has been moved and seconded that we accept the financial report as printed. All those in favor, please, a show of hands. (Unanimous). Thank you. Ok, well we are going to start out with you Miss Durant with the life-time membership promotion - this is our unfinished business.

RONITA...Once again, good morning everybody. I am going to start out with the tiger pins. Can you put a picture up please of the tiger pins? Albert put that picture up. I had sent out three different pins of the tiger. (Calvin - yes, I saw one of them.). One was black and gold, one was all gold, and this one that he is about to put up now, there was some controversy about a tiger with a black stripe...I just had them change it to the color here. Can everybody see that? (Yes, from all.) Any suggestions? Anything you want to say about this tiger, you like, you do not like whatever- let me know now. If it is ok with everybody, that is fine.

LUVATOR... It looks good to me (all yes, fine, yes).

RONITA...Ok, so everybody agrees with that - this will be the pin that we will order. On the bottom you can see how tall it is. I think it says one inch and it costs approximately \$270. I do not have that right in front of me, I'm sorry. It has to be paid with a credit card. If you all agree, I can put it on my credit card and get a check from Pat when I give her the exact amount, if that is ok with everybody. Or, if we have a credit or debit card we can use that. The quantity of the order will be 100.

LUVATOR...So is everyone satisfied with the picture, with the tiger, and with the amount? I need to get a motion that everyone does accept the photo picture, the cost of the pin, and giving Ronita the authority to go ahead and order that. So, I do need to get a motion on that please.

ALBERT... I move that we accept the tiger pin as presented and execute the order so we can get them in house.

WOODROW... I second.

LUVATOR... It has been moved and properly seconded that we accept the pin that Ronita has researched for us and given us all the information and we will go ahead and order those. All those in favor - show of hands please.

YVONNE... Says yes.

NICOLE...Says yes.

WOODROW...says yes,

CALVIN...says yes

JEANNETTE...says yes

RONITA...The next thing is the certificate. That is the certificate that I put out and I think we have two signatures on it. Those are the signatures I think should go on the certificate. It is up for discussion at this time.

LUVATOR... Ok, if anyone has any comments now, please make them.

CALVIN...Yea, what does that little writing say there. Ok, I can read it now.

LUVATOR...Any other discussion regarding what is written on this certificate?

FRED...Yes, I have a question.

LUVATOR...Go ahead Fred.

FRED...Ok, nothing personal against anybody, we all work hard to make this organization successful, but I am not aware of any other award...this is a special award that we are doing. And I am hoping that all of them will follow the same format as the first one. And we know that is Bishop Richardson. But I have never seen an award from the Alumni Association with two signatures on it, plaque, other kinds of awards. I have gotten three over the years. The only name on the awards I have received have been the name of the recipient and Middleton High School. So, if we are doing something different I just want to bring it up, all of these life-time achievement memberships from this day forward ought to look just like this one with two signatures at the bottom, which we have never done before, but if the majority wants to do it, so be it.

ALBERT... I think, in my experience, I have had certificates with two signatures. So, I do not see an issue with the two signatures; we can change it if you want, but since we have not done any, this is what is being introduced.

CALVIN...So my question is, what do we usually have on them Fred?

FRED...The name of the recipient and Middleton.

CALVIN...So that is it?

FRED...The three I have gotten, that is what they have on them.

ALBERT...Well certainly there is no hard and fast standard for them. You do it the way you want. This is our discussion now. And we can accept this or not accept this. I think Fred is saying his experience is different, but it does not mean we have to follow what he experienced. My experience is different because I have had them with three and four names on them depending on what the award is. But this is what was researched; and this is what is being presented. Accept it or not accept it. And Adam Richardson -only because Pat told me AJ had signed up - so this is why, again this is just a sample...we are just using his name, it could have been Fred's name, it could have been Yvonne's name there. It is just a presentation.

CALVIN...That is what stays there - the life-time membership.

YVONNE...This is Yvonne talking. Madam Present (Luvator...Go ahead Yvonne) The date...is that date going to change or, how are we going to do that date?

ALBERT...The date is symbolic of the time of accepting this, which is today. It can be any date you want, but the thinking behind it is because it is being presented today.

YVONNE... Oh, ok, ok

ALBERT...Only because this is today, and we are presenting it today (showing date on screen) and we are moving on it today. It does not have to be that - it can be something else, but that is the thinking behind using that date. Because that was when the financial report was given and that was when AJ's name was announced, today. So that is the thinking behind it.

YVONNE....OK

LUVATOR...Does that answer your question Yvonne? Or are you saying what date should go on each certificate?

YVONNE...Yes, that is pretty much the answer to my question.

JEANNETTE...Madam Present, this is [Jeannette. You](#) have one more life-time person, can the presentation do both of them today?

LUVATOR...Sure.

ALBERT...Let me just chime in, because this is only a sample, we are not presenting. It did not have to be AJ on here, this is just a sample. So, if we have life-time memberships dated today, they will all look like this. (Jeannette - Ok). this is just sample to present to you to say this is what we have. It could have been Jeannette Williams name on here; it did not have to be AJ.

JEANNETTE... (Ok, I am not giving \$500)

LUVATOR...Ok, I think we need to get back to Fred's question, or comment. We've kind of got off-track on that. We need to come to a consensus that: are we going to do both signatures; or we are not going to do any signatures; are we just going to put the person that is life-time member along with the name of the school. That is what we are trying to discuss right now. I do not think Fred's question or concern was covered

PHAN...Madam Present...

RONITA...I make a motion that we keep both (interrupted)

PHAN...Madam President

LUVATOR... Yes

PHAN...Going back to the certificate. I have seen certificates with the President's signature and if there is a second signature it is the treasurer signature.

JEANNETTE...I have seen that also.

ALBERT...It can be that.

PHAN...If it is concerning money.

ALBERT...It can be that.

LUVATOR...So, we are now hearing that we can have the president's name on there and the treasurer's name. Are there any other comments regarding the signatures on this certificate? Cause this is very important, this is the signature, I mean the final, this is it. Whatever we decide on today, this is what the certificates will look like.

JEANNETTE...Madame President, I am in agreement with Phan, usually all official things, usually if they are going to have titles on there - it is generally the President of the organization and the person who handles finances.

LUVATOR...Ok

ALBERT...then that is what it will be.

LUVATOR...Ok, so can we get a vote on, since we do have the president and the Vice President, now we have the president and the treasurer. So to make it official and to make it clear all of those that are in favor of the president and the Vice President, I need each of you to say yea or nay so that the secretary can record.

RONITA...I am Ronita, I am saying - nay. Yvonne -nay, Apolonia-Nay, Jeannette - nay, Pat Cooper- nay

ALBERT...Do you know what we are voting on?

LUVATOR...We are voting on the president and vice president.

RONITA...This is Ronita- then I vote on the president and vice president.

YVONNE...We do one at a time.

LUVATOR... I said all of those in favor of the president and vice president use yea or nay. That is exactly what I said.

ALBERT...Let me interject, since it is my name, you know what- let us put the treasurer in there. We do not need to go through all of this. Let us put treasurer there and let it be. We do not need to discuss that - I mean really it does not have to be. Just let us agree on the treasurer and let it ride. Because I have got another issue and it is about signatures, so I want to get to that. I want to agree that the president and the treasurer become this person (showing second signature on certificate on screen).

LUVATOR...Ok, but officially we need to agree.

RONITA...We have to vote, you have to get everybody's opinion with a yea or nay. We have to vote.

LUVATOR...We have to vote on different things so that it is in the record in case it is questionable so we always vote on it, we have two different suggestions. We have to vote for the minutes. And for future reference.

FRED...Can you see my hand.

ALBERT...We cannot because we are sharing the screen.

FRED...Ok, this is Fred. My comment, the reason I brought this up, we all work hard to make this organization successful. The president, the vice president, the treasurer, the recording secretary. We can put 8 names on this certificate if we wanted to, that's why I am saying in the past, the only names we had have been the recipient and George S. Middleton. If we wanted to put a name on there, it should be the president, period, that is my comment.

LUVATOR...Thank you.

NICOLE...Madam President, may I make a motion? (**LUVATOR**, yes Nicole). I move that the Certificate of Life-time Membership Awards be listed to show the President, Luvator Nelson, and the Treasurer or whoever the treasurer is at that time.

LUVATOR...Ok, we have a motion on the floor

ALBERT...I second.

LUVATOR...Ok, it has been moved and properly seconded that we put the president and the treasurer names on the certificate. All those in favor, because we can't see everyone's hand we need to get a yea or nay, to accept this proposal. All of those in favor of the certificate saying president and treasurer I need each of you to say yea or nay. (Talking over each other--Yvonne Douglas yea, and Calvin's name in capitals, all yea - Phan, Janette, Pat Cooper, Calvin, Nicole, Apolonia, Woodrow

ALBERT...Again, this is a draft. (Yvonne- I know)

FRED... Yea

LUVATOR... Have we got a response from everyone?

FRED...Luvator, could we maybe in the future when we have to vote, just call the roll, because everybody is talking at the same time.

LUVATOR...OK, it has been moved and properly seconded that we do accept and all those did favor yea, I did not hear any nays, is that correct, Madam Secretary?

RONITA...You talking to me? (Luvator-yes) Yes, mam.

LUVATOR...Ok, I did get a yea from the majority.

RONITA...Yes

LUVATOR...Ok. Thank you. OK, moving on

ALBERT...Before we move on, Ronita, let us talk about signatures. Because of the way we are meeting now, the key is signatures...Luvator's signature and Calvin's signature. Since we are all dispersed all over Hillsborough County, would you entertain using the electronic signatures?

That is my thought.

LUVATOR...Yes.

PHAN... Madam President, can we consider a signature stamp?

FRED...Yes, they are very inexpensive.

LUVATOR...Ok, I like that.

PHAN...Especially since this is historic.

LUVATOR...Ok, any other comments on the signature. We had electronic and now we have the stamp.

ALBERT...Electronic does not cost anything.

CALVIN... Yes, I have a comment. I didn't vote, I abstained because you all were talking and those positions, you all have already voted and now I'll give you the history on our membership cards...we have the president's signature and treasurer's signature. So, you all must have remembered that. That is probably why you all voted yea.

LUVATOR...Thank you very much Calvin. So that fell right into Phan's suggestion and recommendation. Ok. Now back to the signatures.

PHAN...Madam President, that could very well be a mute issue, because you all are still signing checks. So, whenever you get together to sign checks, you just sign the certificates.

CALVIN...Yeah

LUVATOR...OK

ALBERT...But the question is who signs the checks?

PHAN...The treasurer and the president.

ALBERT...President? President, you sign checks?

LUVATOR...I am on the signature card, yes.

ALBERT...Ok

PATRICIA...I sign the checks. I write the checks and sign the checks. Can you hear me now?

LUVATOR...Yes, usually when we originally went to the bank it was Calvin, Pat and myself. I can sign, but what has been happening is Pat or Calvin has been signing the checks.

PATRICIA...And most of the time if Calvin is not available, if he is available, he signs. But if not, I cannot hold stuff up - I go on and sign them.

CALVIN...We have not had any real problem with that.

PATRICIA...No, we have not. We work together.

JEANNETTE ...Madam President, this is Jeannette. Because working in the school system as the bookkeeper, I always sign checks, because, for expediency, because if you have to wait around to get those persons who are dispersed, you will have a lot of delinquent bills. So, it

makes sense for the financial secretary to sign the checks but have alternate people to sign in her absence.

CALVIN...Yes, that would make sense.

PHAN...Madam President, do our checks not require two signatures?

CALVIN...Oh, no

LUVATOR...No

PATRICIA...They accept them with one.

PHAN...Ok

LUVATOR...But there are three names at the bank on the account.

PHAN...But on the checks, we do not require two signatures?

LUVATOR...No.

PATRICIA...And we have to show ID when we do transactions.

ALBERT...We can do the signing the way you want, Madam President, but I am just showing you what the electronic signature would look like if you chose that.

JEANNETTE...Look at you forging names.

LUVATOR...OK

ALBERT...But this is what the electronic signatures would look like if no one was available; so that is up to you.

LUVATOR...Ok, so now we have two proposals, we have electronic and the stamp. So again, we need to vote on which one we want to go with...the stamp or electronic for the record, for the minutes. Ok, I think Phan suggested the stamp and Albert suggested...go ahead Phan.

PHAN...I withdraw my recommendation for a stamp, I just do not see this is going to be a big deal as far as signatures are concerned. So, whatever is expedient, you are not going to have a big stack of membership certificates to sign; and if you do have a stack, I will personally deliver them to the signatories for regular signatures. I am on the record for doing that.

LUVATOR...Ok, so it is unanimous that we will just use the electronic signatures, until we meet physically again. Ok, so be it, moving right along.

CALVIN...Excuse me, I hate to be the guy in group 3, but it sounded like you said that we are going to use the electronic signature until we get together. Aren't we going to stay with what we are doing now?

LUVATOR...I am saying that if we ever meet, when we begin to meet physically again. I just wanted to add that in there because you know there will come a day when we will meet again physically. I am sure God is preparing us for that, so I wanted to make sure that is noted.

CALVIN...Oh, Ok

LUVATOR...Thank you.

FRED...Luvator, can you hear me? (Luvator-yes Fred) You said moving on...are we getting ready to leave? Since we did not discuss the grandfathering.

LUVATOR...No, I just wanted to finish that part. Because there are some concerns and some clarifications and since Fred, I believe this was your original proposal regarding membership, correct? (Fred-Correct) Ok good, there are a lot of things that I missed, I was not reading any emails or checking anything. There was a concern, a question regarding...

NICOLE...Madam President real quick, I need to call my boss to file something. I know my report is next. If you guys could push me to the end, I would appreciate it.

LUVATOR...Ok dear, no problem.

NICOLE...If someone wants to do the report for me that is fine, but I need to call him...

LUVATOR...Go ahead.

CALVIN...We do not want you unemployed.

LUVATOR...Ok, we are working on getting a full screen back right? Before we move on, is that what we are doing now?

ALBERT...There is one more part of this.

RONITA...We need the certificate back up.

LUVATOR...No, I think we are done with that.

RONITA...Ok, alright

LUVATOR...We just want the full screen back now

ALBERT... We have got one more piece of Ronita's stuff

RONITA...Yes, ok, it is the acknowledgement letters. This is a letter, I sent everyone a copy of it, it is open for discussion, it is a sample letter.

LUVATOR...Do you mind reading it?

RONITA...You want me to read it? Ok (Ronita reads letter -shown on next page)

PATRICIA...Ronita, will you read the line about the objectives?

RONITA..."The objectives of the alumni are steadfast:

1)re-establish the legacy of the George Schroeder Middleton Senior High School;
Provide support for its educational, athletic, social, and cultural programs; and provide scholarship funding for future graduates.

PATRICIA...Ok make that the "OBJECTIVE IS"

CALVIN...Miss bad Pat Cooper

JEANNETTE...Alright girl

PATRICIA...I have not lost it yet.

FRED...Luvator, the very opening line "Congratulations you have become an official" maybe it should be member of The Middleton Senior High School Alumni Association.

PATRICIA...Life-time member

PHAN...Official life-time member

FRED...Official life-time member of the Middleton Senior High School Alumni Association. And Schroeder is spelled S C H O R E D E R. But it looks good.

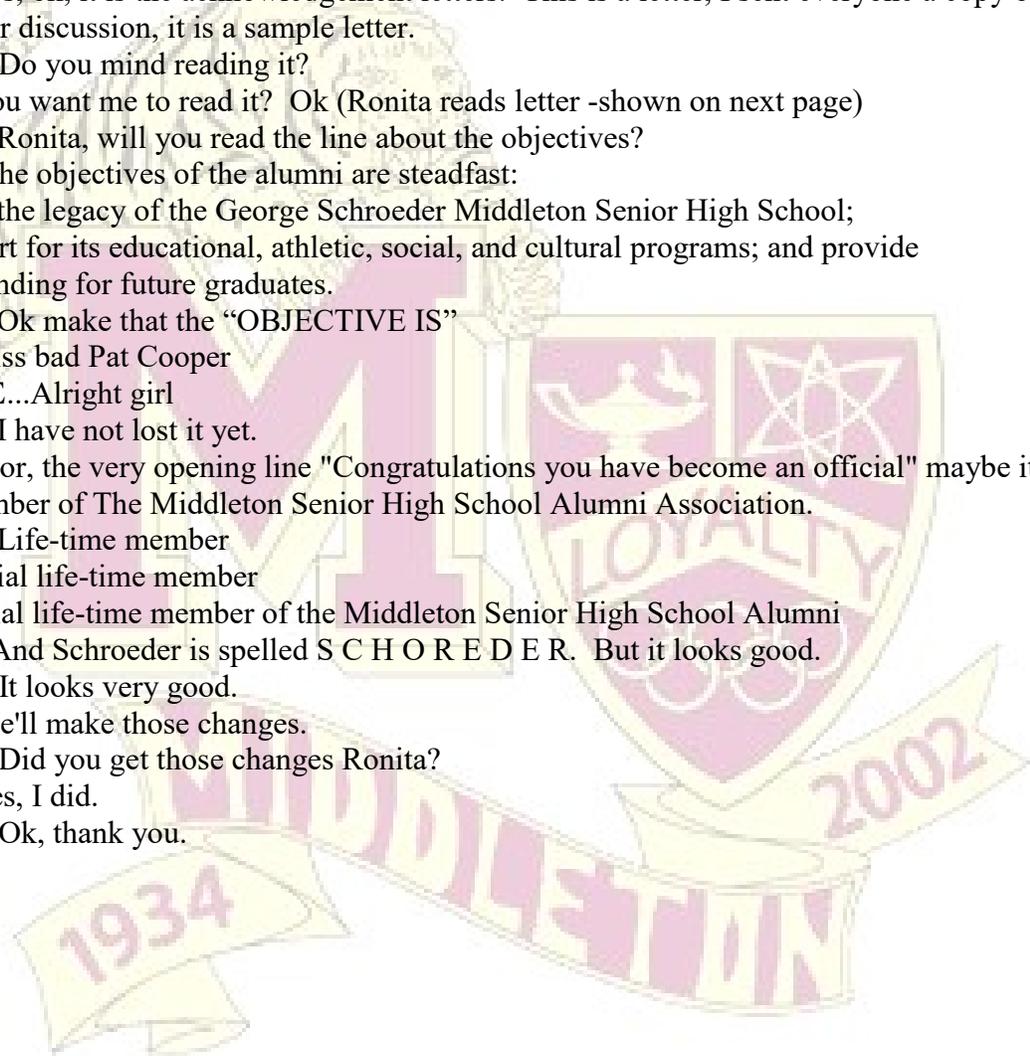
LUVATOR...It looks very good.

ALBERT...We'll make those changes.

LUVATOR...Did you get those changes Ronita?

RONITA...Yes, I did.

LUVATOR...Ok, thank you.





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Dear Bishop Richardson:

Congratulations! You have become an official **LIFE-TIME MEMBER of the Middleton Senior High School Alumni** and we are so proud to have your ongoing support.

As graduates of the George Schroeder Middleton Senior High School, we treasure the educational foundation that was so significant as we *kick-started* our lives into adulthood and worked to take our rightful place in this American society.

We, the Alumni, have reckoned with the interruption fostered onto Middleton in the early 1970's, and we will not be deterred in carrying on the rich legacy that keeps the Middleton Tigers' identity forever vibrant. That said, the Alumni plans an aggressive increase to its membership, by issuing alumni identification cards to each graduating senior as they accept their diploma.

The objectives of the alumni are steadfast:

- 1) *re-establish the legacy of the George Schroeder Middleton Senior High School;*
- 2) *provide support for its educational, athletic, social, and cultural programs;*
- 3) *provide scholarship funding for future graduates.*

At this *select* level of membership, you will receive an identification card; a tiger lapel pin; and a **Certificate of Life-Time Membership**. We also ask that you provide, to us, your picture to be displayed on our newly launched web site.

Thank you so much...the email address and web site are both displayed here; and please do not hesitate to voice your thoughts and suggestions moving forward—stay safe.

Sincerely,



President
Middleton Senior High School Alumni Association

RONITA...Should I continue? (Luvator- Yes, go ahead) The next thing is the ID Cards, I don't know who is responsible for those...I thought maybe it was Margaret at one time, or either Calvin, I'm not sure.

PATRICIA...Calvin

RONITA...Ok, Calvin. I think the certificate, the pin, the letter, and the ID Card should all be together, one package when it is mailed out to a Life-time member. And everyone who is supposed to get a card, after that, I want to make sure it is available for them to receive it.

LUVATOR...OK

RONITA...We know that the gold only gets the tiger pin and the membership card. The lifetime member is the only one that gets all four. That is my thinking. Ok. It is open for discussion, you all, so whoever wants to say something.

WOODROW...Do you think it would be feasible if they are a gold member, they get a different card? Or get the same card?

RONITA...The same card, we do not need to spend extra money.

WOODROW...The white card...well I just asked the question.

LUVATOR...Well I think we should keep the regular card, because every member, even the \$30 members gets the card. That is our traditional membership card.

RONITA...Right. Also, someone raised the question to me about the maroon, why can't the person who gets the maroon membership get a pin? I said, No, they do not get a pin.

PHAN...Because they need to pay more money.

RONITA...Exactly - they want to get a tiger pin they need to pay more. It is to make them pay more - it is just my suggestion. I think we should leave it as it is.

LUVATOR...Ok, Jackie is calling - let me catch this real quick, she is probably trying to get on.

JEANNETTE...Calvin, while Luvator is on that call, may I join your membership committee.

CALVIN...Yes, you may.

JEANNETTE...Thank you.

CALVIN...As long as you are doing the work. We accept all workers

LUVATOR... I am sorry, I thought Jackie was having a problem getting on the call, because I remember she did before.

CALVIN...Luvator, Jeannette Williams just volunteered to be on the membership committee. I accepted her offer.

LUVATOR...OK

ALBERT... Who is the official membership committee other than Calvin?

LUVATOR...Go ahead Fred while they are researching that.

FRED...Ok, before we leave this subject, for \$500 - I would really love to see the life-time members certificate that they can hang on their walls. So, have we talked about the framing or the backing of the certificates?

RONITA...No, that has not been discussed yet.

FRED...I would like to bring that up with a recommendation...\$500 now that's what we are talking about, something they can hang on their wall, it doesn't have to be an expensive plaque backing, but they have them from \$20 up. I really think that is appropriate, if I am going to spend that kind of money, I want something that I can display in my home. And nobody is going to look at it if it is just a sheet of paper. Just my suggestion.

ALBERT...But I think that as widespread as certificates are, I buy frames for mine. And I hang them up if I want to hang them up. I get plaques to hang up, but you can get a certificate and you can get a frame. There are frames all over the place if you really want to display it. I hear you, but you know I do not think we have to buy them a composite to hang on their wall, they can get themselves a frame. I got frames for my certificates and I display them if I want to display them in my home. That is my take.

FRED...Ok, so may I make a motion

LUVATOR...Any other comments before Fred makes a motion?

VIVIAN...I have a question... (Luvator - yes, Vivian) This is Vivian Kitchen. When Fred mentioned the \$500 what came to my mind was for the \$500 what is the value of what you are getting for that \$500 back through pins, etc., etc., and how much of that money will become in treasury? I know that is a calculated question but giving something to the person who paid \$500. What we are giving, what is the value of it? Because when we pay for that, then what is left is what will be donated to our treasury. Have we thought about it? Or is that something we do not want to think about.

LUVATOR...Well, we know the cost of purchasing the pins and the certificates, having certificates made up. We can very easily figure that out. Maybe Ronita had, I do not know, but I know it was the cost of the pin, and the certificate and, of course, the membership card.

VIVIAN...Ok that is not much-not even \$100.

LUVATOR...Right.

ARTIE...I would like to make a comment, and I am making this so that maybe it would be useful for us to recalibrate why we are an alumni and what the overall, overarching purpose is. I graduated in 1970 and I will be quick with this, but there is a reason I am saying this... when I got to Middleton the school burned down. A hollow shell was left there for about a year and a half. I still graduated; the last graduating class was 1971. Now the reason I am saying all of this is right now Middleton means a whole lot to me. I think it does to all of us, but it has been a long time. And I think it's easy, because I talk to my classmates, some of us have even forgotten that the school burned down and how we felt until we start talking about it. I think if we calibrate our thoughts about how important Middleton is and we are the last historians of Middleton, it should mean something to us because we want people to know it's important, it has to be important to us. I am tagging onto what Fred said, sure we can get a frame for a certificate, but is it important and is it important enough for us as alumni to give somebody who invests that kind of money with the expectation that it's going to do some good. Isn't it worth it to offer them something to say we appreciate you, because you are connected to Middleton. I think this is a whole broader argument rather than we just go through the formalities. I think we have to get people to realize how important Middleton was to us. And nobody knows better than us because it has been a long time from 1971, even before the school was burned down. So, I am just thinking that we need to calibrate this so that if we are saying that you are investing in Middleton, it's Middleton, it's not us individually--Middleton and what Middleton was to us! And sometimes I think it is worth us thinking about that because that's what we are trying to perpetuate because children that are at Middleton now, they don't feel the same way we do about Middleton because they don't know. And that is how I see this Alumni, I think that's what our purpose really is. So, if we are kind of finagling about whether we do a certificate, whether we do something like that. If somebody is going to give \$500 and I do not think many of us believe that we are going to have that many people who will do \$500. Honestly, I am going to try and I am going to sacrifice because what I am saying about Middleton is what I think about Middleton. It is worth that kind

ARTIE (continued)...of investment to me. I am not trying to encourage anybody else to do it, and whether I get a plaque or a certificate, that is irrelevant. I am doing it because I am an alumni of Middleton. You do not have to give me anything, but it does help when you do appreciate people who sacrifice. And if you give up \$500, we are expecting somebody to sacrifice. And we all know in our everyday life if you want somebody to do something over and above, you should show some real appreciation.

JEANNETTE...Amen.

PHAN...Madam President

VIVIAN... Madame President, this is Vivian, I should know this, but I have not been as active as I should have. What is the money going to be used for - number one and number two you may have addressed this, is there a payment plan for the life-time membership? Or a one-time deal. How does that work?

LUVATOR...Well those are, that was one of the questions on my discussion list. Because it has been brought to my attention, is it a one-time payment, can we make payments, and if I make the one-time payment do I still have to pay the \$30 a year?

VIVIAN...Not that part, the plan to pay the \$500 within a given time?

LUVATOR...We never did decide on that yet... and that was one of the concerns that we had.

ALBERT...Our resolution included installment plan options. When we did the resolution for life-time membership, we established criteria. We did put in the prospect for installment payments for those who wanted to take advantage of it. It is a part of the writing, if I can find it and pull it up for you, but it was what we approved that, and I think we said, I don't remember exactly, but I think we gave a year to do a \$500, if you choose to. That was a part of our resolution when we brought this to the board and that is what we approved. I will bring it up, I do not have it in front of me. If I can get off screen, I will put it up because I started thinking about how we start instituting what we call the grandfather clause. And I put those criteria down, and to answer your question, we do have an installment plan prospect.

PHAN...Madam President, the B-part of that question is my greater concern. I am going to be a life member, however; I want to know what our focus is. Because when we are selling this, and it is a sell, when we market this, we need to be able to tell our fellow classmates what we intend to do with the money. Is it just going to sit in the bank balance statement somewhere or we give a few scholarships once a year? I can look at my own balance sheet or I can do my own scholarship, I am going to do it, but there will be some questions from other graduates, other alumni who want to know what are you going to do. How are you extending your services? Are you just going to do scholarships? Will you do support for faculty? Will you do mini grants? What are you going to do? What else are you going to do?

LUVATOR...Well, I am sure some of the other members and I can add on to that. We have from day one where Calvin would probably know a lot more about, we have done a lot more and we have tried to make it known to the community. We have sponsored breakfasts, we have sponsored lunches, we bought yearbooks, we have bought caps and gowns.

PATRICIA...Men of Vision, Women of Vision.

LUVATOR...We have done...

PHAN...Madam President, I table that until we get to budget, so we can keep it moving.

LUVATOR...OK...Fred...

FRED...Thank you Madam President, I want to make a motion and I think that this is one reason our meetings tend to run long sometimes, because we should be discussing motions on the floor. So, I make a motion that we purchase a backing for the life-time membership \$500 awards

FRED (continued)...with a maximum \$20 price of the backing. If it is anything more than \$20 it is not going to be approved. We can find all kinds of backings for less than \$20 to ensure somebody is really encouraged to hang this life-time certificate on their wall so that when people come to visit them, maybe other Middletonians, they will be inclined to take out a membership, so they can see it. \$20 limit on the backing is my motion.

JEANNETTE...I second the motion

ARTIE...I Second the motion...ok great

LUVATOR...It has been moved and properly seconded that we purchase a backing not to exceed \$20 to be given along with the other items that the life membership will be presented. All those in favor, we need a show of hands. Thank you that is the majority. Thank you, Fred.

FRED...Thank you.

RONITA...Ok - you want me to continue?

LUVATOR...Ronita, go ahead.

RONITA...Ok, the next thing I have is Phase 2 of the wall. I did go to the school and I looked around and there is a space adjacent to the wall that is there now. That is the place that I think it should go. I am sure once we present to the principal of the school or whomever, they will say yea or nay, but I wanted to have something to present to them as a location.

LUVATOR...And that is to start an additional wall. Some people have been asking about that. That is what you are referring to, is that correct?

RONITA...Yes, ma'am

LUVATOR...OK. Thank you. Any other comments regarding that. Several people have asked about adding their names to the wall, so Ronita did say she would go and take care of that...which she has. So you need a couple of more people on the committee or just a couple of the members to make an appointment with the principal to discuss that, because you didn't go that far.

RONITA...I did not go to the school, no ma'am, not to the principal.

WOODROW...he has an open door policy.

RONITA...I know, but I want to have somebody to go along with me, so what about you Woodie?

CALVIN...Bring somebody he already knows. The principal already knows Woodie's face.

WOODROW...Alright, I will go, whenever you go, let me know. Got to be early in the morning though.

RONITA...You, Yvonne, do you want to be a part of it?

CALVIN...Yvonne works early in the morning.

RONITA...Ok, ok, that is fine

CALVIN...But he knows Woodrow, Ronita.

RONITA...Ok, he can tell us yea, nay or whatever, he wants. It is fine, but we just want to have something to present to them as a location.

WOODROW...Ok, I will go you, let me know when.

RONITA...Ok, Alright

CALVIN...He can put on his collar and know what else.

RONITA...Is that ok with everybody?

ALBERT...Might we submit something to him in writing. Might we make a request in writing and let him know we would like to come out there.

RONITA...That's fine, I will let Woodie take care of that.

ALBERT...I mean just to let him know what you are interested in because he does want us to do a project. It would not be that surprising to him.

RONITA...OK, Well since Woodie knows him, I'm hoping Woodie will do that.

WOODROW...Do what?

RONITA...Present something to, present something to let him know we want to come to discuss phase 2 of the wall.

CALVIN...But I think Albert is saying, something in writing.

WOODROW...That's what Albert said, write a letter, that is how we normally do protocol. That we have something in writing.

RONITA...Ok, I can do that, do I need to send it to somebody first to approve it.

WOODROW...Ask Albert his email, Albert knows his email. Right Albert.

JEANNETTE...He just walked out.

FRED...He just walked off. Madam President, I think it carries a lot of weight if it comes from our President.

WOODROW...Yeah, Yeah,

RONITA...ok, Luvator, you want to do that then?

WOODROW...Luvator has dropped out.

ALBERT...I am back, Luvator is having internet problems, so she asked us to just continue with our discussion.

RONITA...Fred had suggested, go ahead Fred

FRED...If we have a consensus here, if the President would write just a brief letter that we would like to discuss the possibility of an extension of the alumni wall. Just something basic like that. I think it would mean a lot coming from our President.

ALBERT...Well that was the idea, I just meant we should put something in writing. If we come up with the wording for her to look at, review and approve that would be fine.

RONITA...OK

PHAN...Albert, I have a question for Fred. Did the district pay for the Wall the first time?

FRED...We did. The district paid for the concrete foundation and the inside of the wall. We paid for the plaques, all of the wording, all of the letters.

PHAN...All of the engraving.

FRED...right, all of those, what is that material...granite. We paid, I forget now, \$2500, Bobby Bowden was chairman at that project. So, we paid for all of the names to be engraved all around on the wall. But the district paid for the concrete foundation. So, I know money is going to come up and the principal's going to want to know who is going to pay for all of this?

PHAN...Right.

JEANNETTE...Fred, this is Jeannette, each one of us who wanted our name on the wall, didn't we pay a certain amount?

FRED...\$25, \$25 and you got up to, I think it was 20 letters, or something like that.

ALBERT...\$25...that is **so** inexpensive.

FRED...This was twenty years ago

ALBERT...When I gave mine, I remember it being a couple of hundred dollars.,

WOODROW ...That's it...\$25

ALBERT...I think it is worth pursuing. The question is...did it pay for itself? Do we know? It is not that important, I just threw it out there. Ok, Ronita, you done?

RONITA...I think so. Once Luvator sends that letter out, we will go to the school and meet with the principal.

ALBERT...Ok, so there is a lot of movement there. Good report. Nicole are you ready? You need to unmute yourself. Nicole is next.

NICOLE...Hi everyone, I am so happy to be with you all, some of you I have not seen in a while. I want to give you an update on the website. If you have not seen the website, it is www.middletonalumni.org. The website looks great, if you have not seen it you can definitely check it out now. We have photos of the alumni association, photos of the executive board. We also have a few articles related to some of the things that our membership is doing and you guys know we have our fundraiser that is happening right now for the 65 inch flat screen TV. So you can definitely promote the website. I believe in the last meeting that I did not attend, I do believe there was discussion on providing photos of family members who are related to Middleton alumni. So, I believe some of those photos are in the process of being provided. I sent some over to Joycelyn and I think they are posted in the gallery, but if there are more photos, just let me know. Other than that not too much else is happening. We do have our photo shoot scheduled for the 19th at 11am. So that is next weekend and what we want to do is have everyone show up. But we do want to ask you to social distance, so our goal is to have everyone drive up, hop out of your car, take your photo get back in your car and then leave. You do not want to mingle or crowd around or anything like that. I did see emails saying that we are not going to wear Middleton t-shirts, so I was not sure if we have confirmed a dress code for the photo shoot that comes up next weekend.

ALBERT...We did, we established a dress code.

NICOLE...And what is that dress code?

ALBERT...We are going to be "dressed" - we are going to wear the colors. We were asked to wear jackets.

NICOLE...Like Middleton Jackets?

ALBERT...No, no... we are just going to have the Middleton maroon and gold, but we will have jackets on.

NICOLE...When you say jackets, do you mean blazers or coats?

ALBERT...Suit jackets, sports jacket.

PHAN...He's talking about men.

ALBERT...Yea, I am talking men now, I am sorry.

NICOLE...I was confused, ok, so everyone is going to have blazers, but we are sticking to the colors of maroon and gold.

ALBERT...Yes, yes, we had established that.

NICOLE...What if we do not have a maroon or gold blazer?

PHAN...That's for men only

NICOLE...That's for all men.

ALBERT...Yes, that is a men thing, I am sorry.

NICOLE...Anything specific for the women?

PHAN...Just the school colors

NICOLE...Ok, got it. It is business casual is that we are shooting for?

WOODROW...Dressy

NICOLE...Dressy...And so just remember that is going to be the 19th at 11am and we are doing that in front of the school. Does anyone have any questions about the website or the photo shoot coming up?

ALBERT...Nicole, I was on the website, is the photo gallery back up, because it was not up for a couple of days. Did you notice?

NICOLE... Yes, I just checked it - it is up and looks like she had added photos of family members from what I can see, or at least she has added some additional photos that I have received from you.

ALBERT... Ok, I was on the other day and it was not up, that is why I wanted to know. So, she probably was just working on it.

CALVIN... Question...or comment. This is Simmons. Whoever the person is in charge of making corrections or additions on our website. We need to get with them. Fred, I hope Fred is listening - we need to redo our mission statement. When you read it, you'll see that part of it is to re-establish Middleton High School and I think that was when we established the Alumni Association and Middleton was not built then, so we don't need the part in there about re-establishing the high school. Do you hear me Fred?

FRED... Oh yeah, you are absolutely right, it needs to be updated.

CALVIN... It needs to be updated. You want to update it Fred?

FRED... I can and present it to Luvator and then it can come before the body for discussion.

CALVIN... Ok, so everybody knows, I talked to Luvator about this already, but you do that Fred.

FRED... I can try to update the language and I will send it to Luvator, and then we can discuss it as a group.

CALVIN... Ok Fred.

NICOLE... Sounds good. And Joycelyn is very quick, so once we vote, get it all settled and send it over to her, she changes stuff very quickly. Any other questions or comments about the website?

ALBERT... Thank you Nicole. Oh, Phan's hand is up.

PHAN... I have a question...what was the final cost for the website design? Do you have that?

ALBERT... \$750

PHAN... OK. This is for budget purposes; will we have any kind of renewal fee?

ALBERT... Monthly maintenance fee.

PHAN... A maintenance fee going forward.

ALBERT... A monthly maintenance fee of \$50.

PHAN... \$50 - ok. Got that.

ALBERT... OK, unless there are any more questions for Nicole we are going to move on to next item.

PATRICIA... Albert, when do we start paying that?

ALBERT... I think she said at the end of September.

PATRICIA... OK

ALBERT... I remember she did say that in one of her emails that we will be invoiced. So don't worry, you won't forget it.

PATRICIA... She is going to send an invoice?

ALBERT... It is my understanding. She asked us if we wanted it monthly, quarterly, bi-yearly...she did say that. So, we will get it on some kind of cycle.

RONITA... Can I ask Fred a question please...Fred were you aware of a paper that came out August 31, 2008 when you talking about you, and the principal, I think he was named Green, Carl Green. Were you aware of that?

FRED... Carl was the principal.

RONITA... Do you have that article, Fred?

FRED... I probably did, I mean I had a lot to say about Carl Green, so yeah that was probably it.

RONITA...Something 1964, I was wondering - I have the article in front of me now. That is all I wanted to know.

ALBERT...Luvator is back. We are in membership now; I do not know if we talked about it or not.

LUVATOR... Ok, I am sure you have. I am having a lot of internet problems because it is raining off and on here. So, wherever guys are, keep going. You said membership,

ALBERT...We are at membership with Calvin, did we talk about it enough Calvin. Did we cover enough membership?

CALVIN...I cannot hear you.

JEANNETTE...You are dying out.

ALBERT...Calvin the next item is membership, I do not know if we have talked about enough of it to cover everything you wanted to cover. But that's up to you.

CALVIN...I have a comment, I am looking at my list here. I have 25 paid members as of right now, and that is without seeing what Pat got out of the P.O. Box yesterday. But there are some people who have voted and spoken today, their names are not on my list. So, if you haven't paid your dues yet, send your dues in.

ALBERT...Why do not you send an alumni wide email, chastising all of us for being not active.

JEANNETTE...No pay, no say.

PHAN...I had a problem with paypal, are we going to consider debit or credit to our account, a merchant's account or something. Or do you just want to mail in the checks? Because paypal actually kicked me out online this morning.

ALBERT...are you talking about dues?

PHAN... I am talking about dues.

ALBERT...Well send a check to Pat, she loves that.

PHAN... Ok

PATRICIA...Let me interject please. I came up with this idea...you know people paid last year, and who have not paid yet, what if we just send them a blank membership form.

PHAN...That makes sense.

PATRICIA...If we just send them a blank membership form and maybe they will be motivated to send in their money.

WOODROW...Is that a thought or a motion.

CALVIN...Are you volunteering Pat?

PATRICIA...I do not mind helping you Calvin. I will assist with that. We will buy stamps and I have a box of envelopes.

PHAN...You send them by email, it would be free.

CALVIN...An email would be cheaper.

PATRICIA...Oh, ok

JEANNETTE...Yeah, that is better than the snail mail.

CALVIN...And then we can refer to our site to download the form.

PATRICIA...These are senior citizens, and some may not have access to printing the form. That is why I asked that.

CALVIN...so you need to send them the form then.

PATRICIA...That's why I suggested that and then all they have to do is fill it out and send it back.

ALBERT...I communicate on a regular basis to my class, and even if I write them and say Hi, I attach an enrollment form to it. I always do, and I allude to it. and I have gotten some pretty good feedback. I am happy to see Bishop Richardson signed up...that is good.

PATRICIA...We currently have 27 paid members. The last member on Friday, I picked up the check from Doretha Edgecome

ALBERT...Ok, we have thousands of Alumni somewhere out there, so we have got to get some more people into the fold.

JEANNETTE...Madam president. This is Jeannette Williams. I assist Pat with the financial report. She should not be burdened with putting all those lists of names as a part of her financial report. That is part of the membership committee responsibility, to keep that listing of names for the organization. She reports the money to them to let them know who paid and it is their responsibility to submit a report to the group and keep you all updated. Not the financial secretary.

CALVIN...I agree, even though she is my cousin.

ALBERT...So you do not think you want to disclose the sources of the revenue coming in on the financial report?

JEANNETTE...That should not be part of her financial report. Her responsibility is to let you know how much money this organization has, what categories it was paid in. But the listing of membership is the membership committee's responsibility. We have got enough on our hands trying to keep up with you all money.

LUVATOR...Ok, that's fine, but as the financial secretary, when she receives money from a member or other she is to record that name and then she can transfer it to the membership or email it to the membership department.

JEANNETTE...And that is what she is doing.

LUVATOR...ok so

JEANNETTE...Ok, so she's being redundant, she's putting the names on her finance report and the membership committee should be having a master roster of everybody who is a member of the organization and report it to the organization.

RONITA...Who is the membership committee? Who is that? Who is in charge of that?

CALVIN...Me and then Jeannette. But I think what Jeannette is saying is she is suggesting that we do not place the paid people's names on our financial report. Is that what you are saying Jeannette?

JEANNETTE...YES.

ALBERT...That's exactly what she is saying.

RONITA...I'm talking about presenting the list to everybody and in the minutes, there should be a list of who paid.

JEANNETTE...I just joined the committee and in the future, that's how it is going to be [handled](#). [It](#) will be an extra spreadsheet made of every member who has paid in the organization.

RONITA...So that is something you will be doing, Calvin?

JEANNETTE...Yes, I will be assisting Calvin with that. Because that is too much to be putting on your financial secretary.

CALVIN...See that list there Ronita...there is a list.

RONITA...I see it, I have it. I am just saying I have never seen anyone present it. We have never had that done.

LUVATOR...And for clarification, Jeannette, I think Pat does quite a bit because Calvin just kind of let her, you know, do a lot. However, as the financial secretary, when I give Pat a check, she is going to write my name down and what I paid. So that is her financial part of it, then she hands it off to Calvin. Because he is the treasurer and he makes the deposits. And, also, as membership, she can hand him off that list as well, as to who paid what. So I thought that the way it was done, however, Calvin himself has said in the past, "you go ahead and do whatever needs to be done and I'll help you out wherever you want me to." So, it has always been a thing, an understanding between Calvin and Pat. So, because she started doing anything extra, that was discussed between her and Calvin.

JEANNETTE...OK, but he is going to take that burden off of her, and I am going to assist Calvin in that.

LUVATOR...So Calvin, you speak up and be, and just be open about it. You agreed that you would, you know, Pat can do whatever needs to be done and you would step in and help out wherever you could. But if you want to change it, and just have her give you the list after she collects the money from the person because that is financial secretary she needs to record those peoples' names and then she can hand it off to you after that or email it to you or whatever. But you know Calvin from day one, you agreed to let Pat do all of that, and you would just step in and help her out wherever necessary. So, we have this clarified, that she will now just hand you the list, because we did not have an actual membership committee. Calvin always took care of anything to do with membership. Because it was only a few of us meeting on a regular basis so, we were just helping each other out.

PATRICIA...Luvator

LUVATOR...What Pat will do now is hand it off to you.

PHAN...If we revise our by-laws, we can be specific about these things because there will come a time when Calvin and Pat will not be able to have an understanding about what is supposed to be done.

LUVATOR...Ok

PHAN...Same with the mission statement; we have a sentence in there that does not even refer to anything that is current.

VIVIAN...Madam President, this is Vivian Kitchen. I paid for general membership, If I decide that I want to go for Life membership, is it possible for what I paid to be included in the price of the life membership.

LUVATOR...When did you pay, for last year or did you already pay for this year?

VIVIAN...My name is on that list.

CALVIN...She paid this year; I have the list.

VIVIAN...Yes, he has the list, my name is on that list.

LUVATOR...OK, well if you, this is the beginning of your payment of your dues for this year, that should be fine. Any comments.

ALBERT...The resolution does allow for installment payments for the life-time membership. I think in the language we gave it a year to pay the \$500.

LUVATOR...OK

VIVIAN...I wanted to reemphasize that

ALBERT...Yeah, I am going to look back, but I am certain it is a year to pay

LUVATOR...Ok, that answers your question, right Vivian?

VIVIAN...Yes, and it will be in the minutes.

LUVATOR...Alright

ALBERT...The treasury just has to keep up with it, so that if you have any questions about where you stand, you need to be able to go to Pat or Calvin to find out where you stand in terms of what you need to pay and what you don't have to pay, that kind of stuff.

PATRICIA...Just check with me Vivian.

VIVIAN...Thank you.

PATRICIA...This is Pat Cooper

FRED...So, Madam President, all of those persons who are paying on the \$500, they should be listed as subscribing life-members. So that is another category different from the regular membership. Different from somebody who has already paid the \$500. If you are paying on it, you are a subscribing life-member. You can vote and do everything else members do.

JEANNETTE...Ok so, when we do the financial report, Fred, we will make sure we notate a line for that, for each month that they pay on it.

ALBERT...Exactly right

LUVATOR...Got you Fred, Thank you. I received a couple phone calls regarding life-time membership. Someone wanted to know that once they paid their \$500 are they grandfathered in with the \$500 or do they still pay the \$30 a year for regular membership?

ALBERT...The answer is no. Once you pay your \$500 you have satisfied your dues paying responsibility for life. But what we do want you to do is think of us so dearly that you will make a donation of \$1000 every year...that's what we would like. That is the mindset.

VIVIAN...or participate in the fundraisers!

ALBERT...And I would remind everybody this is all tax deductible. If you are itemizing your taxes, just pay \$1000 and write it off every year.

LUVATOR...Ok so the person was concerned about that I know you paid some of your dues, so that will be applied to your membership.

ALBERT...They have to commit to that now, Vivian is committing to that. We are not going to take it for granted. We are not going to take it for granted just because somebody paid \$30, this is a part of lifetime, they know what the rules are.

LUVATOR...Yes, she is aware of that, she was just confused about it. So that is fine, that answered that question. Thank you. Did someone have their hand up for something.

RONITA...I have a question. Who is going to be responsible for mailing the package to each life-time member, the membership committee? Also the tiger pins, etc.

LUVATOR...The membership committee and anybody can help out on that committee.

RONITA...Ok, yes, ma'am.

LUVATOR...Ok, where were we? Where are we?

ALBERT...Amazon Smile Calvin. We are in pretty good shape with that. I saw Calvin had already registered us.

CALVIN...You know what, I can hardly hear you. Albert, say that again.

ALBERT...I was just saying because my name is on there along with yours, I saw where we had been registered. That was all we needed to do once that we resolved that we would participate in amazon smile. All we had to do was register and you guys did that.

CALVIN...You doing my report for me Albert?

ALBERT...My name is on there along with yours.

CALVIN...I am just asking if you are doing my report for me. I thought my name was on the agenda. Based on the research I have done - it sounds like a good fundraising idea, Albert. To me it does. Example, my wife shops on Amazon all the time, so I am going to get her acclimated. There is a profile...and you all see this (holding up paper)? Amazon gives it you,

CALVIN (continued) after you go in and sign yourself up. For those who haven't done it, what you do is go to Amazon [Smile.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com). Even though on this letter here it says smile [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com). Either way, you'll get in there and then you are going to look, and read what they have there, and then they are going to ask you what charitable organization you want your .5% to go to. And in that block or in that area there, you want to type in Middleton Senior High School Alumni Association, Inc. and then search, and then it will bring it up. Or you can put 55-08141093, that is our EIN number, but don't put that in there. Just put our name in there, and then after it brings that up, what you do is you scroll down and it is going to have somewhere in there that says "begin shopping" or something like that - me and Jeannette went through it last night. So she is in there now, and then it's going to say continue shopping and it's going to bring up the regular Amazon screen, you know the regular one where you shop from, and then you are contributing the .5% of whatever your purchase is. They are going to take that and give it to our organization because it is going to show that you designated Middleton. Every time that you go in for Amazon Smile, it is going to show Middleton Alumni Association, Inc. as the charitable organization that you are donating towards. Now Albert didn't ask this, but what is happening with us right now is my wife, now it not's mine, my wife's printer stopped working, it don't work right, so I went over to my cousin's Jeannette Williams house yesterday. Her scanner is not working, so the only thing I have left to do is go in and enter our bank account information. I can't scan it because my scan doesn't work, my wife's doesn't work, but I'll have it done in the next few days when me and my wife get a printer/scanner. But in the meantime, you can still use Amazon. Even if we do not have our bank account information, they will credit the amount to us. The one informational thing for you is if you are going to be checking yourself as to how much money is being given to Middleton from Amazon Smile be aware that in December we will not get the .5% until the end of February of 2021 because they tell you they allow for returns. Ok, that is just informational. So, it turns out that if we don't want to do no fish fry's and no car washes, this sounds like a good deal for us. Especially those of us who do online shopping. I'll shut up now, but anyway, if you have any problems with it, you can call me or Jeannette or Albert and we can tell you how to sign up to be able to make those contributions.

JEANNETTE...Albert, once I went in, because I shop so much on Amazon, it automatically hooks right up.

ALBERT...Yes, it does.

CALVIN...Jeannette, I thought you were broke, what are you doing on Amazon?

JEANNETTE...I go to Amazon so I can get stuff cheaper.

ALBERT...Calvin, Debbie went on yesterday and the alumni is registered.

CALVIN...Yeah, when you go, Jeannette just told you how easy it is.

ALBERT...No, No I am saying you are going to do something. We are already registered.

CALVIN...But did it show that your contribution going to Middleton.

ALBERT...Oh yeah

CALVIN...Oh that is good.

ALBERT...Yes, that is what I am saying. That is why I thought you guys had gone in because it says registered.

CALVIN...Yes, once you go to Amazon Smile it automatically connected to the account.

ALBERT...Well I am just telling you what it said. Debbie does all the shopping and when she went in it was Middleton Alumni Association, Inc. and it said already registered.

DEBRA...When you are ready to shop, you go into Smile.Amazon.com, instead of Amazon.com to register for an Amazon account. Once you register and you have your password and everything in...when you shop make sure you do Smile.Amazon.com and it will go right to the Amazon for Middleton as long as you sign up for Middleton.

JEANNETTE...Yes

CALVIN...OK So it is kind of an easy way to make a contribution to the Middleton Alumni Association.

ALBERT...We just go to spread the word because everybody shops on Amazon.

CALVIN...Not Woodrow.

JEANNETTE...He does not even have a cell phone

ALBERT...OK, sounds like a family squabble.

LUVATOR...OK, sounds good

CALVIN...That was it, that was my report on Amazon.com. Let us get it going.

LUVATOR...Ronita - TV Tickets

RONITA...I have a few outstanding tickets that have not been paid for. I guess they are all going to pay for them just before the drawing. My question is who is going to purchase the TV? Is it going to be you Calvin or Pat?

CALVIN...I did not hear you.

RONITA...Who is going to purchase the television?

LUVATOR...The ones that have access to the money.

RONITA...OK

CALVIN...When do we need the television?

RONITA...Before December 5th.

CALVIN...The reason I ask is because I am going to get my brother the Chaplain, Woodrow, to start searching for it.

PATRICIA...And then just let me know and I will get the check to you.

CALVIN...Ok, I will let Woodrow know when he comes back.

LUVATOR...Ok that is good. Moving right along. Apolonia - scholarship Committee

PHAN...Madam President do we have an upper limit on that television? Cost of the television.

LUVATOR...Yes when we discussed it a few months ago. We were saying something about watching out for a discount.

ALBERT...We never established a limit.

LUVATOR...I'm not sure what the cost of the TV's run actually, but Woodie or Calvin, I know Woodie doesn't use his computer, you can always send out an email to the board and let us know about some prices you run across if you think they're reasonable. We will not wait for another meeting for that.

CALVIN...since Woodie backed out on me, I will search for the television.

LUVATOR... And just shoot us an email to let us know some prices.

PATRICIA...We can all search Luvator and if we come up with something that looks appealing to us, we can let Woodie or Calvin know.

PHAN...That's why I asked what the upper limit is, is it capped at \$400 or \$500? Or \$300 - whatever.

WOODROW...How much you want to pay for it?

LUVATOR...Does anyone know the size and the prices of those TVs?

CALVIN...We do not want to pay over \$400 for it.

PHAN...ok, thank you.

JEANNETTE...Because I got a 60 inch and it was less than that.

CALVIN...Ok, you are on the committee too.

JEANNETTE...Oh I am, OK

LUVATOR...So did I understand the cap is \$400.

CALVIN...Yeah, we are not going to pay more than \$400 for it.

LUVATOR...OK

CALVIN...You heard what Jeannette just said, you can get TV's now, they do not cost that much. But when do we need the TV...in December?

LUVATOR...Before December 5th.

JEANNETTE...And make sure it is a smart TV.

CALVIN...Yeah, we want a smart TV. Yeah, because I got one that says smart, but that joker is dumb.

LUVATOR...And it was established by Ronita that anyone that still had any older tickets, they were fine to be used for the drawing. Is that correct? Someone did say they had older tickets. I said that is fine, we know the dates on it - we did not throw those away. Ok, thank you.

PATRICIA... We need to sell more tickets because we have only collected about \$550. So, we need to sell more tickets.

RONITA...That's in the checking account, I have collected almost \$600 in cash.

LUVATOR...Yes, Pat some people are just paying Ronita directly. You know she will meet up with them somewhere. Because I have had a couple of people call me and say, you know I turned in some money. So Ronita has a record of that.

PATRICIA...I know, we will work together on that.

LUVATOR...So we are way past the \$400 that is showing in the bank account.

PATRICIA... I just hope we make a profit.

LUVATOR...Ok, next, moving right along we are going way over time, Apolonia.

APOLONIA...Alright, thank you. The Scholarship Committee, we decided to mail the checks...Pat and I got together. It was a call meeting. Pat and I made a decision, a decision to go ahead and mail those checks to the students. In fact, they were mailed out the 28th of August. And two days later, I would say, September 1st, Joshua, the Morehouse student called and let me know he had received his check in the mail. And then the other two students at FAMU had received their checks. We thought it was easier to do that, it was best, because of the pandemic. Not knowing what can happen with students being sent home and schools closing. Some financial aid offices do not move as fast as the others, so that is what we decided. And one student, in particular, the mother told me that he didn't have any money, he really needed that, he needed it before he left. So, we were happy to send that to him. And the one student, Xavier Taylor, attending HCC, according to Ms. Rhonda, they did not give out acceptance letters. But she did provide his schedule and sent it directly to me. And that is what we used in order for Xavier to receive his check.

LUVATOR...OK, any questions? Thank you, Apolonia. Alright Phan - you are on.

PHAN...Ok, I did a rough draft budget worksheet to include the budget categories and line items. Under administrative we have Corporate Filing - that is an annual fee of \$61.25. Are our fiscal officers bonded? Do we have a bond?

WOODROW...Nope.

PHAN...No bond. I put in the budget for a bond and that is going to be about \$500 annually. The website is \$750 and we have maintenance of about \$600. Photography \$250 and postage \$300 – since we are going to be mailing cards, plaques, and certificates we represent a larger line item for postage. Office supplies \$100. Membership cards, do we have those on hand or do we need to order some more this year.

LUVATOR...Calvin do we still have some membership cards left?

CALVIN...I thought we ordered some last year, I have to check with Margaret, but I think she got us some last year.

PHAN...So we are in good shape with that as far as you know.

LUVATOR...I will call Margaret and ask her.

PHAN...OK and we have gotten a cost from the pins. Fundraising, and the reason I asked about the capping cost of that television is that will pretty much be an expense against whatever it is we take in-in ticket costs. We have that capped at \$400. Printing is \$50. There is a line for venue, but that is something that will be amended later in the year if we are safe to go out again. School support- we have two teacher events one at the beginning of the school term and another in the spring for teacher appreciation. Are there any other teacher appreciation events?

LUVATOR...Not that I am aware, and no one has contacted us for anything upcoming.

CALVIN...it is usually those two that you are talking about.

PHAN...Student events. We had the Men of Vision and the Women of Vision. Will our donations to them be an ongoing thing or was that a one-time offer?

PATRICIA...We did it twice and we said that we were not going to do it annually.

PHAN...We are not going to do it annually?

PATRICIA...No,

PHAN...So that will be in miscellaneous. And the other big item is scholarships and that...is that going to vary from year to year or are we going to establish some firm guidelines, cause there was a lot of back and forth on scholarships this year.

JEANNETTE...May I ask you a question? How many scholarships did the organization vote for us to do?

PHAN...Four - for 2019-2020 it was four. Is that right? Is that what we voted?

ALBERT...It was four for the last two years.

JEANNETTE...OK

CALVIN...Let us clear it up- we did not decide we were going to do four until we got four applications. So, what I think Phan or Jeannette is asking, I think Jeannette was asking how many did we decide we were going to give. We have to decide how many we are going to give for the next school year. But that is usually determined by money. That is based on our past, but that is the answer Phan, we will decide how many we are going to give. We are going to have to decide that.

PHAN...So then how much do we want to budget for? It can always be amended and that helps us to push harder to get to where we need to be.

CALVIN...I do not think we want to discuss that now, because we are already sitting in this meeting for an hour and a half.

PHAN...I am not really calling for any discussion.

ALBERT...Phan can we revisit that soon after the pandemic is up. Because after the pandemic, if we have any activities going on, we can kind of determine what the flow of revenue might be. And when I say that I am really thinking about the golf tournament. If this pandemic lifts the way we hope, then I am looking to kind of rekindle the discussion on the golf tournament to

ALBERT (continued)...see when we can get it going. But everything obviously depends on whether we will be able to assemble again after the pandemic. So, we will know at some point whether we can do stuff and what kind of revenue we expect. We are talking about revenue other than dues. Let us look at the end of the year maybe the first of 2021.

PHAN...OK

JEANNETTE...Well can't you just put a \$3000 amount there?

ALBERT...Well we can put a place holder

JEANNETTE...You know to have something there because we know we give at least two or three.

ALBERT...Well we have done four for the last two years.

PHAN...I'll email the budget committee; we can have a conference call or zoom meeting and finalize that to present it for a vote next time. Would that work?

JEANNETTE... Yes.

PHAN...So that's Jeannette, that's Pat, that's Albert and that's Luvator.

PATRICIA...Calvin, the treasurer should be on there.

PHAN...Calvin

CALVIN...oh, gee, thank you Pat.

PATRICIA...You're welcome.

PHAN...You are the chief fiscal officer, so you know that goes without saying.

CALVIN...with a friend like you Pat...

LUVATOR...Is that it Phan?

PHAN...That concludes what I have, yes. We will come back with a formal budget proposal in October.

LUVATOR...Ok, thank you Phan. Ok, Nicole.

FRED...Hello.

ALBERT...Fred is next.

FRED...Before we do a motion and follow this on Phan's report, I had a meeting with Mr. Boddie shortly after he was named principal. I think it was the same day Albert and Woodie and Calvin were on campus. I did not know they were there; they did not know I was there. So, one of the things he brought up, and I am so encouraged by the fact that we now have a principal he's bringing up things we can do to work with the school and the alumni. So, he suggested that we have to get a way to get our graduates interested in the Alumni Association. I said Hallelujah. We do not have to convince him that that is something we need. Because other than Nicole, as we all know, we do not have anyone else from the new school involved in the Alumni Association. And it has been 18 years, so it wasn't just yesterday. So, what he suggested just broadly for us to discuss, and I guess this is the appropriate time with Phan's report, something we can do on campus. You are right, we do not have to give Men of Vision and Women of Vision money every year. Maybe we can use some of that money we would have given to them to so some events for graduating seniors. It does not have to be anything really expensive, just something in the cafeteria or whatever he thinks would be appropriate. So, I just wanted to put that out there as something for us to consider. Because when they get their diploma, of course, a lot of them may never even think about Middleton again. But there will be some who will want to keep a connection and now that we have a website, we can put pictures of current students on the website. That would be an encouragement for them to find out what we are doing, and some of them will join and be active.

ALBERT...If you think back to the letter we just finished reviewing for Luvator's signature for life-time, we talked about giving the graduation seniors membership. Now if that takes the ceremony Boddie is talking about, so be it. But the idea is to expand our bases by giving every graduation senior an alumni enrollment. We did it for scholarships this year, we gave them membership forms, I do not know if we got any back, but I think we got one or two back, I'm not sure. But the idea is to expand our base, we started with the scholarships, we should start it with the entire class and we can do it for the 2021 class.

FRED...Right.

ALBERT...I think we should do that. Because that's what we are saying to the life-time members, in that letter we said that, and we will be saying that to anybody that signs up. We want them to see some of the things we are doing to expand the base of Alumni.

LUVATOR...Ok, that sounds good. I know Fred had mentioned that he had talked to the principal regarding, you know getting our existing students on board. Nicole has tried as well, but you know young people they have another, different agenda. But if we come out front and give something maybe that will help bring something as well. So that sounds good Any other comments regarding that - bringing in the new students. Well, today's students, I know they are not all new. I think Nicole, Nicole is she still on?

ALBERT...I think she is gone.

LUVATOR...She was 2000 what...

ALBERT...I think she was 2008

FRED...2008

LUVATOR...2008 ok

PATRICIA...Luvator, this is for Phan. PHAN you have an annual postal fee.

PHAN...yes, I have a line item for that. For the PO Box, how much is that?

PATRICIA...\$90

PHAN...Ok thanks

LUVATOR...Anything else before we move along? Ok under our new business where Nicole had to leave, but she was just going to confirm with everyone that on the new day to take the photo shoot. Yvonne did send out her email to let everyone know what the new date is. Did everyone get that, now that includes not just the elected officers, but the appointed committee members, so Phan, I know you work some times, but (Phan - I am almost done with work Hallelujah).So that would include Phan as the budget chair and we had another committee chair, just don't forget the date when we take that photo. Fred has suggested a great location, where was that again Fred? So, in case someone gets there running late, they will need to know where to run to.

FRED...Ok it is on a Saturday, we would have to have somebody to open the gate, my suggestion was in front of the administration building, in the back of it rather where that picture of the tiger is. I do not know if you all would like that or not. There is a huge mural of a tiger. We have taken pictures there before. That would make a great background.

PATRICIA...But what if we cannot get in the back to open the gate, nobody will be there on a Saturday.

FRED...That's what I am saying, a call to Mr. Boddie could ask him if that is possible or we can just take it in front of the school.

LUVATOR...OK thank you. Ok, I will check with Ms. Rhone as well because I think she is there six days a week. I will check with her and find out if anyone would be there on that Saturday around that time frame and if not, we can just take it in front of the school. But Yvonne will send out the email. So, I will contact her this afternoon. OK. And that was pretty much it unless someone has a question or a concern or a comment. Now is the time.

RONITA...Luvator when you had left the call, it was suggested that you send a letter to the principal regarding that we want to do a phase 2 wall.

LUVATOR...Ok, I am going to call him Monday

RONITA...OK

LUVATOR...Anything else.

PATRICIA...Luvator, I would just like to apologize that I could not give my report, I could not unmute, so I had to go back to my cell phone. But thank you Calvin for being my backup. But I was ready to do my report.

LUVATOR...ok someone had their hand up - Fred

FRED...Yes Luvator, I lost my picture somehow, I am glad you can hear me though. I guess we can once again table the discussion about a Middleton High School Hall of Fame

LUVATOR...Did I leave you off the agenda? I must have been off the phone

FRED...Yes, Ma'am, so hopefully next month we can spend a little time talking about that.

CALVIN...Hey Fred, we can talk about the grandfathered in also, that was also supposed to be brought up

FRED...So next month, hopefully.

CALVIN...But Luvator I have a question for Fred. Mr. Hearn, I need to know if I can impose upon you to get those background frame things you were talking about. And I will make sure you get your money back, what I am getting at is if I go looking for them, I do not know what Fred is envisioning and what it is he has in mind.

FRED...Yeah, what is the dimension of the certificates?

ALBERT...8 1/2 by 11

FRED...I do not know I am not buying the certificates, what is the dimension?

RONITA...You asked for the measurement of the paper 8 1/2 by 11

FRED...OK, yeah, I can find some Calvin and they will not be black. Yellow or gold will work, but not black. And Miss Ronita... I love you.

RONITA...I love you too.

ALBERT...Hey Luvator we do not need this love fest, do we?

LUVATOR...We just want to make sure no one takes anything personal. We just have a thing about not having too much black on anything that we have, because we do know that the staff at Middleton, I mean they have a lot of black, a lot of black

ALBERT...Let us just get over it and move forward.

LUVATOR...So if everyone's hearts are clear, I know everyone is probably exhausted Woodie please pray us up.

CALVIN...I am not looking at the agenda, so we are at the end here? This is sort of like a public service announcement. You all can hear this; I need to know from Miss Pat Cooper what is the status on that 70th year birthday on the class of 1968.

PATRICIA...Cancelled. Read your e-mail

CALVIN...There you go, boy if Pat did not say that I would not know she didn't like me; she still likes me.

PATRICIA...Luvator move right along please.

WOODROW...Pat you all do that at 71.

LUVATOR...ok Woodie

WOODROW...Closing prayer

CALVIN...Luvator when is the next meeting.

LUVATOR...October, first Saturday in October. Next meeting October 3rd, 11am

FRED...And next Saturday is when we take pictures

LUVATOR...Right next Saturday. And if you have any photos...you know we were collecting photos from family members that had four or more siblings to graduate from Middleton. Nicole said she would take those photos, and if you want to email them to her it would make it easier. So just remember anyone in your class or in your family that has four or more siblings, Joycelyn will be creating some pages for siblings. So, do not forget. That would be a good time to bring those photos, if you only have hard copies. That will be Saturday and I am sure that if anyone wants to pay their dues Pat will accept them or Calvin. Some people can never get around to mailing stuff...I am still sitting here with my check, but anyway I will admit it- I just forget to go to the post office when I do go out. But again, those are just some of the things you want to bring, outstanding dues, ticket money. I am sure Ronita will gladly take any ticket money you have, as well as issue more tickets. So those are just some of the things we can do when we do see each other for a second.

CALVIN...And I'll bring your pin Yvonne and Luvator

LUVATOR...Apolonia, will you be able to join us for the photo shoot, I know you take care of your mom.

APOLONIA...I will try, she will drive out there with me and I will just out of the car.

LUVATOR...ok that is good. Alright dear. Goodbye everybody

Meeting adjourned at 1:01pm

