



# Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin BUSINESS COMMITTEE



Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid them.

UGWA DEMOLUM YATEHE  
Because of the help of this Oneida Chief in cementing a friendship between the six nations and the colony of Pennsylvania, a new nation, the United States was made possible.

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## ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING APRIL 4, 2001 BUSINESS COMMITTEE CONFERENCE ROOM

**PRESENT:** Gerald Danforth - Chair, Tina Danforth - Vice Chair, Julie Barton - Secretary, Judy Cornelius-Treasurer, Sandra Ninham, David Bischoff, Eugene Metoxen and Vince DelaRosa- Council Members

**EXCUSED:** Paul Ninham - Council Member

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jeanette Fish, Karen Cornelius, Valerie Groleau, Erv Thompson, Brad Graham, Bill Graham, Kitty Melchert, Ed Metoxen, Barb Truttman

**OPENING:** Judy Cornelius

**I. CALL TO ORDER BY GERALD DANFORTH AT 8:00 A.M.**

**II. OATH OF OFFICE**

**Oneida Child Protective Board** - Administered by Judy Cornelius  
Jeanette Fish - PRESENT

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**A. ADDITIONS:**

**TO EXECUTIVE SESSION, NEW BUSINESS:**

- 3 David Bischoff RE: Status Report - Liaison Communications  
4 Tina Danforth RE: Negotiations of Dispute Resolution

**B. DELETIONS:**

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE ADDITIONS, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN . MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**IV. MINUTES TO BE APPROVED:**

Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of March 28, 2001

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES , SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**V. TABLED BUSINESS:**

Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of March 21, 2001

**Excerpt from March 28, 2001: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO TABLE FOR CLARIFICATION OF "COMBINED WITH NUMBER 3 OLD BUSINESS," SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due April 4, 2001**

**REMAINS ON THE TABLE**

- 2 Bob Niemela RE: Coca Cola Representative to present annual check for the Oneida Scholarship Program and approval of addendum to the Oneida Nation/Coca Cola Agreement

**Excerpt from March 21, 2001: MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO TABLE THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. SANDRA NINHAM OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Excerpt from March 28, 2001: MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO LEAVE THIS ITEM ON THE TABLE FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. SANDRA NINHAM OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Response due April 4, 2001**

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO TAKE THIS ITEM FROM THE TABLE, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO TABLE THIS ITEM FOR TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**VI. REPORTS**

- A. HOTEL CORPORATION - (QUARTERLY: NOVEMBER/FEBRUARY/MAY/AUGUST) 2nd Wednesday of the Month - Pat Lassila**
- B. APPEALS COMMISSION - (JAN 10/APR 10/JULY 10/OCT 9) 2nd Wednesday of the Month - Kirby Metoxen**
- C. ONEIDA TRIBAL SCHOOL BOARD - 3rd Wednesday of the Month - Shirley Hill -Interim**
- D. HOUSING AUTHORITY - 4th Wednesday of the Month - Lois Powless**
- E. ONCOA - 4th Wednesday of the Month - Clifford Doxtator**
- F. ONEIDA GAMING COMMISSION - (QUARTERLY: JAN/APR/JULY/OCT) 2nd Wednesday of the Month - Shirley Hill**
- G. ONEIDA LAND COMMISSION: 1st Wednesday of the Month - Jeff Mears**

**Report submitted**

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO TABLE UNTIL A REPRESENTATIVE IS PRESENT, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- H. ONEIDA UTILITIES COMMISSION: 3rd Wednesday of the Month - (MONTHLY) - Fred Muskavich - Interim**

- I. ONEIDA SEVEN GENERATION CORPORATION (QUARTERLY: JAN APR\JULY\OCT)-Larry Barton - 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday
- J. ONEIDA NATION ELECTRONICS: 4th Wednesday of the Month - Sherri King
- K. TRAVEL REPORTS
- L. FOLLOW UP REPORTS/BC DIRECTIVES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Judy Cornelius/Tina Danforth/David Webster

RE: Report on Budget variances for slots/table games

**Excerpt from January 3, 2001: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO DIRECT THE TREASURER AND VICE CHAIR TO MEET WITH THE GAMING GENERAL MANAGER AND DEVELOP A REPORT ON THE BUDGET VARIANCES FOR SLOTS AND TABLE GAMES AND TO DEVELOP WHAT STRATEGY IS NEEDED TO MAKE REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS FISCAL YEAR 2001 AND DEVELOP ANOTHER STRATEGY ON WHAT THIS IMPACT MEANS ON FISCAL YEAR 2000 BUDGET WITH A REPORT BACK IN THIRTY DAYS, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from February 14, 2001: MOTION BY TINA DANFORTH TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from February 21, 2001: MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from March 7, 2001: MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from March 21, 2001: MOTION BY TINA DANFORTH TO ACCEPT THE VERBAL REPORT WITH A FOLLOW UP BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due April 4, 2001**

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO MOVE THIS ITEM INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. RESOLUTIONS**

- 1 Frieda Clary RE: Administration for Children, Youth and Families Head Start Funds

**MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 4-04-01-A, SECONDED BY JUDY CORNELIUS . MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- 2 Julie Barton RE: Endorsement of Ernie Stevens, Jr. for candidate for Chairman of NIGA

**MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 4-04-01-B, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF . TINA DANFORTH OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED.**

For the record, Tina Danforth opposed because there are other candidates that are more qualified.

**B. REQUESTS**

- Julie Barton RE: Bay Bancorporation Board of Directors Recommendations

**MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF DIANE HOUSE AS BOARD MEMBER OF BAY BANCORPORATION , SECONDED BY JUDY CORNELIUS. TINA DANFORTH ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

- 2 Julie Barton RE: Request appointment of Inez Thomas, JoAnne M. Gauthier and Isaac Parr to the Oneida Arts Board

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF INEZ THOMAS, JOANNE GAUTHIER AND ISAAC PARR TO THE ONEIDA ARTS BOARD, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- 3 Julie Barton RE: Oneida Housing Authority Board and Oneida Election Board Recommendations

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF WARREN SKENANDORE TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD AND JOHN WEBSTER TO THE ELECTION BOARD, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. Julie Barton

RE: Oneida Personnel Commission  
Recommendation

**MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF DALE WHEELLOCK AND MARY HILL TO THE PERSONNEL COMMISSION, SECONDED BY JUDY CORNELIUS, DAVID BISCHOFF ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

5. Julie Barton

RE: Oath of office for Amelia Cornelius and  
Jean Schuyler, Election Board, received their  
oaths of office on Saturday, March 31, 2001

**MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO ACCEPT THE REPORT THAT AMELIA CORNELIUS AND JEAN SCHUYLER TOOK THE OATH OF OFFICE FOR THE ELECTION BOARD ON MARCH 31, 2001, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6. Julie Barton

RE: Follow-up from Land Claims GTC  
meeting of Saturday, March 31, 2001

**MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO DIRECT THE SECRETARY'S OFFICE TO SCHEDULE A SPECIAL MEETING BETWEEN THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE AND ONEIDA LAND CLAIMS COMMISSION AND ATTORNEYS FOR A HALF DAY MEETING WITHIN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C. TRAVEL REQUESTS**

**D. VACATION REQUESTS**

1 Vince DelaRosa

RE: April 16-20, 2001

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO APPROVE THE VACATION REQUEST, SECONDED EUGENE METOXEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO RECESS UNTIL 1:30 P.M., SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**VIII. FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**IX. LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE**

**X. TREASURERS REPORT- 4th Wednesday of the Month - Judy Cornelius**

**XI. ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE CAUCUS\PLANNING**

**GAMING COMMISSION**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A. OLD BUSINESS**

Bill Gollnick

RE: Utilities Administration Development  
Update

**Excerpt from March 28, 2001: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO ACCEPT THE REPORT AND DIRECT THE GENERAL MANAGER TO PROVIDE A FOLLOW- UP REPORT ON THE DEVELOPMENT, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. TINA DANFORTH ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Response due April 4, 2001**

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO ACCEPT THE REPORT FROM BILL GOLLNICK, WITH A STATUS REPORT BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. VINCE DELAROSA ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

2 Vince DelaRosa (Julie Barton)

RE: Per Capita Tax Levy Processes

**Excerpt from February 21, 2001: MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO SEND ITEM A.1-2, REGARDING TAX LEVY PROCESSES TO LEGAL TO ADDRESS WITH A WRITTEN RESPONSE BACK ON FEBRUARY 28TH, AND ITEM B - FOR POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS FOR GTC TO BE CONDUCTED BY LOC FOR THE JANUARY 2002 GTC MEETING, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from February 28, 2001: MOTION BY EUGENE METOXEN TO APPROVE A TWO WEEK DEFERRAL, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED**

**UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from March 21, 2001: MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from March 28, 2001: MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO DEFER THIS ITEM TO THE LOC WITH A STATUS REPORT BACK IN ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due April 4, 2001**

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO APPROVE A TWO WEEK DEFERRAL, SECONDED BY JUDY CORNELIUS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. Judy Cornelius (Tina Danforth) RE: Per Capita Social Security information and Procedures

**Excerpt from February 21, 2001: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO ASSIGN THIS ITEM TO THE TREASURER TO LOOK INTO WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR RELEASING CONFIDENTIAL SOCIAL SECURITY INFORMATION AND HOW THOSE PROCEDURES ARE TAKEN CARE OF, WITH A REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due April 4, 2001**

**MOTION BY BISCHOFF TO ACCEPT THE VERBAL REPORT AS FYI, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. Gerald Danforth, Judy Cornelius, RE: O.N.E. Report  
Rory Dilweg

**Excerpt from February 28, 2001: MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO APPOINT THE CHAIR, TREASURER, LAW OFFICE AND ACCOUNTING TO FORM A SUBCOMMITTEE AND BRING A REPORT BACK IN ONE WEEK. SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from March 7, 2001: MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO APPROVE A TWO WEEK DEFERRAL, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from March 21, 2001: MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO DIRECT GERALD DANFORTH, JUDY CORNELIUS, RORY DILWEG AND ACCOUNTING TO**



**FOLLOW UP ON THIS ITEM WITH A DETAILED REPORT BY O.N.E.'S CEO DUE BACK IN ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. TINA DANFORTH ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Excerpt from March 28, 2001: MOTION BY PAUL NINHAM TO DEFER ONE WEEK AND DIRECT THE SECRETARY SCHEDULE A MEETING WITH THE CEO OF O.N.E. FOR A TIME SLOT OF 1:30 P.M. NEXT WEDNESDAY, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. TINA DANFORTH, JULIE BARTON ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Response due April 4, 2001**

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO ACCEPT AS FYI, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO LEAVE THE \$250,000 PLEXUS PAYMENT IN THE SAVINGS ACCOUNT AND THAT O.N.E. WOULD HAVE TO HAVE BUSINESS COMMITTEE APPROVAL ON SPENDING IT, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. JUDY CORNELIUS ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

Terry Cornelius/Lynn VandenLangdenberg

RE: Retainer letter with Von Briesen, Purtell & Roper, S. C.

**Excerpt from March 7, 2001: MOTION BY TINA DANFORTH TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from March 21, 2001: MOTION BY PAUL NINHAM TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from March 28, 2001: MOTION BY PAUL NINHAM TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK AND DIRECT THE TREASURER TO SCHEDULE A TIME SLOT OF 2:30 P.M. NEXT WEDNESDAY WITH THE CFA AND ASSISTANT CFO, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due April 4, 2001**

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT WITH VON BRIESEN, PURTELL & ROPER, S. C., SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6. Shirley Hill/Bill Gollnick

RE: Non-compliance/Background  
Investigations

**Excerpt from March 21, 2001: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO DEFER THIS ITEM TO SHIRLEY HILL AND BILL GOLLNICK TO REPORT BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due April 4, 2001**

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO ACCEPT THE STATUS REPORT FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER, AND THAT HE PROVIDE A FINAL REPORT, BACK IN ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. VINCE DELAROSA ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

7. Deanna Bauman (Debbie Danforth)

RE: Thomas C. White Contract/Internal  
Medicine

**Excerpt from March 28, 2001: MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK AND DIRECT THE GENERAL MANAGER TO HAVE DEANNA BAUMAN AVAILABLE TO ADDRESS QUESTIONS OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEES, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due April 4, 2001**

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT FOR THOMAS C. WHITE, INTERNAL MEDICINE, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON . MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

8. Deanna Bauman (Debbie Danforth)

RE: Joseph Ladika Contract/Internal  
Medicine

**Excerpt from March 28, 2001: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK AND REQUEST THE GENERAL MANAGER TO DIRECT DEANNA BAUMAN TO BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS, SECONDED BY JUDY CORNELIUS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due April 4, 2001**

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT FOR JOSEPH LADIKA - INTERNAL MEDICINE, SECONDED BY JUDY CORNELIUS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**B. NEW BUSINESS**

Gerald Danforth

RE: Cordish Company Recommendations

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO ACCEPT A S FYI AND REQUEST A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH ATTORNEY LOCKLEAR AND SKENANDORE, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2. Bradley Graham

RE: Higher Education

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO DELETE THIS ITEM AS IT WAS ASSIGNED TO THE GENERAL MANAGER, SECONDED BY JUDY CORNELIUS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3 David Bischoff

RE: Status Report - Liaison  
Communications

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO ACCEPT THE STATUS REPORT WITH THE MEETING DATE OF APRIL 16, 2001, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. Tina Danforth

RE: Negotiations of Dispute Resolution

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO ACCEPT THE UPDATE AND THAT FURTHER REPORTS BE PROVIDED IN ONE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT BY THE DISPUTE RESOLUTION TEAM, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5 Judy Cornelius/Tina Danforth/David Webster

RE: Report on Budget variances for  
slots/table games

**Excerpt from January 3, 2001: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO DIRECT THE TREASURER AND VICE CHAIR TO MEET WITH THE GAMING GENERAL MANAGER AND DEVELOP A REPORT ON THE BUDGET VARIANCES FOR SLOTS AND TABLE GAMES AND TO DEVELOP WHAT STRATEGY IS NEEDED TO MAKE REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS FISCAL YEAR 2001 AND DEVELOP ANOTHER STRATEGY ON WHAT THIS IMPACT MEANS ON FISCAL YEAR 2000 BUDGET WITH A REPORT BACK IN THIRTY DAYS, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(Moved from Follow-ups to Executive Session)

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK FOR A WRITTEN REPORT, SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C. ATTORNEY BRIEF**

**D. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS UPDATE**

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO RETRO APPROVE THE LETTER TO SENATOR CAMPBELL, SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY TO VINCE DELAROSA TO APPROVE KEVIN CORNELIUS TO GIVE TESTIMONY ON SB.55 AND AB.144 WITH THE AMENDED CHANGES ON APRIL 5, 2001, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO ACCEPT THE LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS REPORT, SECONDED VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**E. OAK RIDGE PLAZA AT 3:45 P.M**

**F. NATIVE AMERICAN BANK CORPORATION WEEKLY UPDATES**

**G. AUDIT COMMITTEE**

**H. CONTRACTS**

**XVII. RECESS/ADJOURN**

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO ADJOURN, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MINUTES APPROVED AS PRESENTED ON April 18, 2001.**

  
**Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary**  
**ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE**