

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin



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.

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE Aug. 26, 2009 Regular Meeting

Minutes

Present: Rick Hill, chairman, Kathy Hughes, vice chair, Tina Danforth, treasurer, Patty Hoeft, secretary, Melinda J. Danforth, council member Edward Delgado, council member, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., council member, Trish King, council member, Brandon Stevens, council member

Others Present: Elaine Doxatator, C.J. Doxatator, Dorothy J. Skenandore, Lois Stong, Reggie Doxtater, Jenny Webster, Valerie Grdeau, Rhiannon Metoxen, Cheryl Skolaski, Jeff Mears, Janice McLester, Ron McLester, Mary Adams, Winnifred Thomas, Barb Skenandore, Geraldine Danforth, Nate Wisneski, Tracy L. Metoxen, Jennifer Hill Kelley, Paul Witek, Troy D. Parr, Lee Nirham, Eric Kawcyk, Peril Huff, Marsha Danforth, Roy Skenandore, Melissa Nuthals, Mindimoye, Louise Cornelius, Warren Skenandore, Marty Antone, Thomas E. Wilbur, Butch Rentmeester

Opening prayer: Tracey Williams

Moment of silence called by Chairman Hill to the passing Oneida Tribal members Mike Pelter and Zeke Diamond

Recognition: Valerie Groleau 25 years of service and retirement as an Oneida Head Start employee

Special: Green Bay Packers tickets drawing

I. Call to Order by Chairman Rick Hill at 9:29 a.m

II. Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the agenda with three additions; item no. 1. Finance Committee meeting minutes of July 10 2009, item no. 2. Restructuring proposal for the division of administration and the Chief of Staff job description and item no. 3. Travel request from for Brandon Stevens for Sept. 18 to attend Indian Programs and Business Awards event, schedule the SEOTS quarterly report at 6:30 p.m. and move the SEOTS report from the General Manager to 6:30 p.m., delete Dorothy J. Skenandore from the Oath of Office Trust/Enrollment office and move executive session new business no. 3. Contract of Robert W. Baird and Co: to open session as request no. 9, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

III. Oaths of Office

Oneida Library Board

JoAnn Ninham administered by Trish King Aug. 25

Oneida Appeals Commission

Anita F. Barber administered by Rick Hill Aug. 26

Linda S. Dallas not present

Janice Skenandore-McLester administered by Rick Hill Aug. 26

Jennifer Webster administered by Rick Hill Aug. 26

Oneida Land Commission

Amelia Cornelius administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Orville J. Cornelius administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Ron McLester administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Oneida Gaming Commission

Shirley Hill excused

Oneida Nation Commission on Aging

Dellora Cornelius administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Ron McLester administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Dorothy J. Skenandore administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Warren R. Skenandore administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Oneida Land Claims Commission

Reggie Doxtater administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee

Charlene E. Cornelius excused

Carole Liggins administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Loretta V. Metoxen excused

Oneida School Board

Tracy L. Metoxen- parent administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Dellora Cornelius-at large administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Linda Mercier-at large excused

IV. Minutes to be approved

1. Aug. 12 Business Committee minutes

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the Aug. 12 with one correction motion including an abstention from the Treasurer, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried with one opposed and one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes,
Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Opposed: Tina Danforth

Abstained: Ed Delgado

For the record: Tina Danforth said I oppose because I do not believe that the format of the minutes was a discussion to make these changes. I am not necessarily opposing the changes but I would prefer the discussion about the changes occurring and also I am opposing because they are not consistent of how they are reported out, not just that day.

V. Reports

1. Stimulus initiative report

Sponsor: Debbie Thundercloud/Jennifer Hill-Kelley

Motion by Trish King to accept the stimulus initiative report, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

2. Census Complete Count Committee report

Sponsor: Debbie Thundercloud/Melissa Nuthals

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the Census Complete Count Committee report, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

3. Skenandoah Complex move report

Sponsor: Debbie Thundercloud

Motion by Patty Hoeft to request that the Community Development Planning Committee be responsible to establish a sub-committee figure out how to create a facilities master plan that would plan for and evaluate the use and acquisition of tribally owned facilities to meet the needs for future staff and growth over the next 10 and 20 years, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Tina Danforth

Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Skenandoah Complex move report, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried with one opposed:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Opposed: Tina Danforth

For the record: Tina Danforth said I don't believe there are true efficiencies and true costs being reported. I also believe there is a lack of information there's a lot of zeros on basic information like number of staff in a department and number of square footage per space that is either being vacated or moved into. Those are just some basic fundamentals that should be supplied in a report.

4. SEOTS program and office space report

Sponsor: Debbie Thundercloud

Moved to SEOTS quarterly reports at 6:30 p.m.

VI. Travel Reports

1. CMS TTAG meeting July 29-31 Washington, D.C

Sponsor: Kathy Hughes

Motion by Tina Danforth to approve the CMS TTAG travel report, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Trish King

2. MAST summer meeting July 13-14 Hinckley, MN

Sponsor: Kathy Hughes

Motion by Trish King to approve the report and the following actions identified on one through four on the second page of the report: 1. Support for the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People, 2. Support for Lt. Governor Jefferson E. Keel for President of NCAI, 3. Support for resolution opposing the Employee Free Choice Act unless an amendment is added to exempt Tribal government from the Act, 4. Support for postponing the appointment of Niles Cesar to Area Director of the Minneapolis Area until consultation with the Assistant Secretary Larry Echohawk can occur, seconded by Tina Danforth. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Kathy Hughes

Motion by Patty Hoeft to request the Chief of Staff to bring back a recommendation in 60 days about how our tribe can participate in the effort lead by Chief Oren Lyons to get the U.S. support of the U.N. Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft,
Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Tina Danforth

3. Indian land tenure foundation meeting July 7-8 Prior Lake, MN

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft

Motion by Trish King to accept the Indian Land Tenure travel report, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

VII. Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings

1. Smoking Ban update

Sponsor: Trish King

Excerpt from Aug. 12: Motion by Trish King to defer the smoking ban update for two weeks, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the smoking ban report and bring back within three months, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

2. Recommend appointment of William M. Sauer to Oneida Gaming Commission and repost the second vacancy

Sponsor: Rick Hill

Excerpt from Aug. 12: Motion by Patty Hoeft to pull the recommendation from the agenda today and provide all of the applications to the Chairman to bring back a recommendation at the Aug. 26 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried with one opposed.

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the recommendation to appoint William M. Sauer to the Oneida Gaming Commission, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy
Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Melinda Danforth

Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve to re-post a second vacant position of the Oneida Gaming Commission, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth.

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to table the re-posting of the second vacant position of the Oneida Gaming Commission, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft,
Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Tina Danforth

3. Contingency plans for operation

Sponsor: Joint Executive Team

Motion by Trish King to accept the contingency plan report and request a status report for the Sept 23 Business Committee meeting with also a preview look at how this year's budget will impact the 2010 fiscal year budget, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

4. Request legal opinion from Nov. 15, 2008 GTC action taken re: Election Law

Sponsor: JoAnn House

Motion by Ed Delgado to defer to the Sept. 9 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

5. Oneida Child Protective Board

Sponsor: Debbie Thundercloud

Excerpt from June 24: Motion by Trish King to direct the General Manager to provide a report regarding a needs assessment for the services of Title IV-E, Foster Care, Adoptions and any other placement issues that the Oneida Child Protective Board addresses, back in 60 days, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Motion by Ed Delgado to defer the Oneida Child Protective Board Sept. 23 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft,
Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Tina Danforth

VIII. General Tribal Council

a. Petitions

1. Oneida Nation Gaming Ordinance petition

Sponsor: LRO/Scott Wilson

Motion by Ed Delgado to defer the Oneida Nation Gaming Ordinance petition to the Sept. 9 Business Committee next meeting with intent to withdraw the petition, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King

Not present: Brandon Stevens

IX. New Business

a. Resolutions

1. Tribal Wildlife Grant U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Sponsor: Debbie Thundercloud/Cheryl Stevens

Motion by Kathy Hughes to adopt resolution 08-26-09-A Tribal Wildlife Grant U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King

Not present: Brandon Stevens

b. Requests

1. Recommend appointment of Jeanette Ninham and Carol Silva to Oneida Child Protective Board

Sponsor: Rick Hill

Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the appointment of Jeanette Ninham and Carol Silva to the Oneida Child Protective Board, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

2. Schedule meeting for Bay Bank shareholders to approve amendments to Bay Bank bylaws

Sponsor: Tina Danforth

Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the request for a special Bay Bank shareholders meeting to approve the amendments to the Bay Bank bylaws, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

3. Recommendation for Religious Practices Committee – Native American policy guidelines draft

Sponsor: Melinda Danforth

Motion by Trish King to support the recommendation to utilize and modify the Federal Native American Religious Practices Manual for WI DOC use, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Motion by Trish King to support the presentation of utilizing and modifying the Federal Manual and Education workshop at the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council meeting Sept. 10, 2009, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

4. Post one Library Board vacancy for the remainder of resigning member's term

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft

Motion by Ed Delgado to post one Library Board vacancy for the remainder of the resigning member's term, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

5. Post one Environmental Resources Board vacancy for the remainder of resigning member's term

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft

Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve to post one Environmental Resources Board vacancy for the remainder of the resigning member's term, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

6. Revised application for appointed board, committee and commission vacancies

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft

Motion by Trish King to defer to the Tribal Secretary's office for a final application recommendation, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

7. Schedule Oct. 31 special GTC meeting date to continue semi-annual business

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the date of Oct. 31 for a special GTC meeting to continue semi-annual business, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

8. Restructure and realign the Dept. of Government Administration

Sponsor: Trish King

Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve to change the title of the Department of Government administration to Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Motion by Trish King to adopt resolution 08-26-09-B Authorizing Moving the Emergency Management Office, the Self Governance Office, and the Ombudsman Office reporting to the General Manager, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried with two opposed:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish
King, Brandon Stevens

Opposed: Tina Danforth, Melinda Danforth.

Motion by Ed Delgado to direct Legislative Affairs office, the Communications department and the Office of Strategy Management to be combined with the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried with one opposed:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft,
Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Opposed: Tina Danforth

Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the Chief of Staff job description, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried with one opposed and one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Kathy Hughes,
Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Opposed: Patty Hoeft

Abstained: Tina Danforth

Motion by Ed Delgado that the Business Committee discuss the wage scale at the next Business Committee retreat including the possibility of an emergency wage re-evaluation during these hard economic times, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Motion by Kathy Hughes to accept the updated report as it pertains to objective three in initiative four on the Business Committee balanced scorecard from the 100-day plan, seconded by Melinda Danforth. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft,
Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Ed Delgado

Motion by Tina Danforth to recess at 12:20 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Meeting called to order at 1:38 p.m. by Chairman Rick Hill with a roll call showing as present: Melinda Danforth, Rick Hill, Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King. For the record, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi Hill Jr., Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado all arrived by 1:46 p.m.

Note: Chairman moved to travel requests and back to request no. 9

9. Approve contract for Robert W. Baird & Co.

Sponsor: Paul Van Noie/Terry Cornelius

Motion by Trish King to accept the information regarding Robert W. Baird and Co. and request a special meeting with Seven Generations and the Chief Financial Officer regarding Oneida manufacturing company, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

c. Travel Requests

1. Procedural exception for 21 employees, 3 non-employees to attend Indian Summerfest

Sponsor: Debbie Thundercloud

Motion by Melinda Danforth to approve the procedural exception for 21 employees, three non-employees to attend Indian Summerfest Sept. 11 through 13, 2009, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King,

Abstained: Patty Hoeft

Not present: Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens

2. Bureau of Indian Education Nation Special Education Academy Sept. 15-17 San Diego, CA

Sponsor: Ed Delgado

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the travel request for Ed Delgado to attend the Bureau of Indian Education Nation Special Education Academy Sept. 15 through 17 in San Diego, CA, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King,

Not present: Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens

For the record, Ed Delgado withdrew his travel request.

3. Promotion of energy projects Aug. 28 - Sept. 2 Maine

Sponsor: Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the travel request for Councilman Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. to attend the Promotion of Energy Projects Aug. 28 through Sept. 2 in Maine, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King,

Not present: Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens

4. Indian Progress in Business Awards Banquet Sept. 18 Tulsa, OK

Sponsor: Brandon Stevens

Motion by Trish King to approve the travel request for Councilman Brandon Stevens to attend the Indian Progress in Business Awards banquet Sept. 18 in Tulsa, OK, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King

Not present: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens

X. Community Development Planning Committee

XI. Finance Committee

1. July 10 Finance Committee minutes

Sponsor: Tina Danforth

Motion by Trish King to approve the July 10 Finance Committee minutes, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Melinda Danforth

Not present: Kathy Hughes

For the record: Rick Hill said the Chief of Staff will review the existing county rescue service contract and learn the specific provisions and lack of opportunity to conclude the contract and to come back with recommendations for a process to competitively select an entity for emergency services.

XII. Legislative Operating Committee

XIII. Legislative Affairs

1. Amendment to service agreement between Oneida Tribe of Indians of WI and Town of Oneida

Sponsor: Bill Gollnick

Motion by Trish King to approve the amendment to the service agreement between the Oneida Tribe of WI and Town of Oneida extending the agreement to June 30, 2010, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Not present: Kathy Hughes

2. Retro-approve support of the Small Community Air Service Development grant by Austin Straubel International Airport

Sponsor: Bill Gollnick

Motion by Trish King to approve the retro-approval support of the small community air service department grant by Austin Straubel International Airport, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

XIV. Executive Session

Motion by Patty Hoeft to go into executive session at 2:37 p.m., seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Not present: Melinda Danforth, Kathy Hughes

Motion by Patty Hoeft to come out of executive session at 4:59 p.m., seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth

a. Old Business

1. Green Bay Packers gate contract Addendum A

Sponsor: Ed Delgado

Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Green Bay Packers gate contract Addendum A report, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Kathy Hughes

Excused: Tina Danforth

2. Change BC resolution 11-26-08-C to reflect an investment to purchase TN & Associates

Sponsor: Tina Danforth

Motion by Kathy Hughes to defer to Sept. 9 Business Committee meeting pending an opinion and report from the Audit Committee, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth

b. New Business

1. Approve contract to file claims electronically with GE Centricity Patient Management Medical Record system

Sponsor: Debbie Thundercloud/John Olson/Maria Doxtator-Alfaro

Motion by Trish King to approve the Indian Health Addendum Medicare Part D plan with a limited waiver of sovereign immunity contract no. 2009-0511, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth

2. Waiver of sovereign immunity for Aetna Health Management contract

Sponsor: Debbie Thundercloud/Dave Larsen/Maria Doxtator-Alfaro

Motion by Trish King to approve the amendment to the pharmacy services agreement with a limited waiver of sovereign immunity for Aetna Health Management contract no. 2008-2228, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth

3. Approve contract for Robert W. Baird & Co.

Sponsor: Paul Van Noie/Terry Cornelius

This item was moved to open session request no. 9

4. Standing Stone Buffet Reimbursement resolution

Sponsor: Paul Van Noie/Terry Cornelius

Motion by Patty Hoeft to adopt resolution 08-26-09-C Declare Official Intent under reimbursement bond regulations for the renovation and related infrastructure improvements at the Radisson Hotel and in the second further resolved to list the Business Committee officers in place of the Tribal Secretary and Secretary and Treasurer can sign if Vice-Chair is absent, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth

5. Chief Financial Officer employee contract

Sponsor: Tina Danforth

Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Chief Financial Officer contract, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried with two abstentions:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Melinda Danforth, Patty Hoeft

Excused: Tina Danforth

6. Bay Bank board resignation

Sponsor: Tina Danforth

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the resignation, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth

7. GTC Complaints

Sponsor: Rick Hill

Motion by Ed Delgado to approve sending letters to respond to complaints by two tribal members, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth

c. Legislative Affairs

d. Attorney Brief

e. Audit Committee

f. New York Land Claims

1. New York Land Claims update

Sponsor: Bill Gollnick

Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the verbal report on New York Land Claims, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth

XV. Recess for five minutes called by Chairman Rick Hill at 5:10 p.m.

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE EVENING REPORTS AGENDA REGULAR SESSION AT 5:15 P.M.

Chairman Rick Hill called the evening session to order at 5:20 p.m. The roll was called with Ed Delgado, Rick Hill, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens as present, and Melinda Danforth and Tina Danforth as excused.

Others present: Pamela Ninham, Jim Van Stippen, Linda Torres, Jackie Zalim

Motion by Patty Hoeft to add the Oneida Golf Enterprise Board quarterly report to the agenda, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill, Jr. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth

XVI. Boards, Committees, and Commissions Reports

1. Environmental Resource Board

Sponsor: Jerry Jordan

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the Environmental Resource Board report, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill, Jr. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth

2. Oneida Tribal School Board

Sponsor: Debbie Danforth

Motion by Kathy Hughes to defer the Oneida Tribal School Board to the next Boards, Committees and Commission evening meeting of Sept. 23, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth

4. Oneida Powwow Committee

Sponsor: Lloyd Powless

Excerpt from May 27: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the General Manager and the Chief of Staff to prepare a recommendation to the Business Committee in three months on how the powwows in our community can be organized and managed by a tribal program or a 501.c3 program, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Brandon Stevens to approve the Oneida Powwow Committee report, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill, Jr. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth

5. Airport Hotel Corporation Board

Sponsor: Jim Van Stippen

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the Oneida Hotel Corporation Board report, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth

6. Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee

Sponsor: Jason Kurowski

No report submitted.

7. Oneida Land Commission

Sponsor: Amelia Cornelius

Motion by Kathy Hughes to accept the Oneida Land Commission report, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth

8. Oneida Nation Arts Board

Sponsor: Kelly Skenandore-Holtz

No report submitted.

9. Oneida Land Claims Commission

Sponsor: Jennifer M. Stevens

Motion by Trish King to accept the Oneida Land Claims Commission report and approve re-posting one vacant Land Claims Commission position, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill, Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth

10. Oneida Golf Enterprise Board

Sponsor: Bobbi Webster

Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the Oneida Golf Enterprise Board report, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth

3. South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS)

Sponsor: Jackie Zalim

Motion by Ed Delgado to accept the SEOTS quarterly report, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth

Motion by Trish King to accept the SEOTS report, update on programming and office space and request a programming and office space update back in thirty days, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado

XVII. Adjourn

Motion by Kathy Hughes to adjourn at 7:32 p.m., seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado

Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on Sept. 23, 2009.


Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE