

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Inc.



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

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Wisconsin
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UOWA DEHOLUH YATERE

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.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-411 OF THE ONEIDA TRIBE

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe has great interest in improving, developing, coordinating and strengthening health services on the Reservation; and in more fully utilizing the potential of our Tribal health workers, their skills and their experience.

WHEREAS, on this date August 5, 1974, the Oneida Health Board became an organizational unit responsible for the complete Health Program and serves as the principle health-making body for the Oneida Tribe.

BE IT RESOLVED that the purposes, duties, and responsibilities of the Health Board are as follows:

1. To establish health policies for the operation and management of all health programs, in agreement with Tribal Policies and Procedures.
2. Identify and resolve the health needs of Native Americans, their spouses, and their dependents in Brown and Outagamie Counties. The contract monies between Oneida Tribe and Indian Health Service will be applied only to Oneida members.
3. Promote and develop health services to the Oneida community and to cooperate with the Tribal Business Committee, the U.S. Indian Health Service, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs.
4. To seek both public and private agencies on the local, state, and national levels to more effectively meet these needs through various health programs.
5. The Health Board as a whole, or by appointed representation; negotiates for the identified health needs with Tribal Business Committee, State and Federal agencies, and other resources.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the organization of the Health Board be as follows:

The Health Board shall consist of five (5) Tribal members interested in improving the health of the community.

BY-LAWS

ONEIDA TRIBAL HEALTH BOARD

ARTICLE 1. AUTHORITY, NAME, PURPOSE AND POWERS

- SECTION 1: By authority of the Tribal Council of the Oneida Tribe, the Tribal Health Board was established on and charged with the duties of making health policy for all health programs, as outlined in these by-laws. By-laws shall be approved by the Tribal Council.
- SECTION 2: The purpose of the Tribal Health Board is to facilitate maximum health service to members of the Oneida Tribe or Tribal members.
- SECTION 3: The Tribal Health Board shall be responsible to the Tribal Council for making recommendations for health priorities, program development and planning, budget recommendations, and training of personnel and Health Board members, the construction of new health facilities, and for the general coordination of all health programs on the Reservation. The Tribal Health Board shall also assume the responsibility for existing health programs and shall determine policies for their continuing operations and will be under Health Board.
- SECTION 4: The Tribal Health Board shall make recommendations to the Tribal Council regarding maximum utilization of available resources for the improvement of the health and welfare of Tribal members.
- SECTION 5: Should the Tribal Health Board determine that the policies of the U.S. Public Health Service or existing laws are in conflict with the best interest of the Oneida community, they are charged with the responsibility of recommending to the Council resources needed to effect proper changes in policy or law.
- SECTION 6: The Tribal Health Board shall be responsible for working with the U.S. Public Health Service to assure that individual health problems receive adequate attention by the U.S. Public Health Service and/or any and all government, state and private resources and agencies.

ARTICLE II. BOARD COMPOSITION AND OFFICERS

- SECTION 1: The Tribal Health Board shall be composed of five (5) members of the Oneida Tribe and appointed by the Tribal Council.
- SECTION 2: If a Board member is absent for more than three (3) consecutive regular meetings without reasonable justification he will be dismissed from his seat by recommendation of the Health Board to the Tribal Council and a replacement recommended by the Health Board for appointment by the Tribal Council. The Council shall fill vacancies within the Health Board caused by resignation, death or removal for neglect of duty or gross misconduct.

SECTION 3: The terms of office shall be staggered with one (1) new member to be appointed the first year, two (2) members being appointed the second year, and two (2) members to be appointed the third year. Beginning August 5, 1974, consisting Health Board members apply this to themselves. A list of possible candidates to serve on the Health Board shall be submitted to the Tribal Business Committee.

SECTION 4: Oneida Health Board members may not be members of the Tribal Council or administrators or directors of any other health agencies or delivery systems that are accountable to the Health Board. The administrator of the Indian Health Contract shall be an exofficio members of the Health Board.

SECTION 5: Each Health Board member shall have one vote. The chairman shall call meetings to order and preside over same, or in his absence the secretary. The chairman shall have no vote except in the case of tie. The secretary shall keep minutes of each meeting; meetings to be conducted according to Robert's Rules.

SECTION 6: The Health Coordinator will make a written monthly report to the Tribal Council. If the Tribal Council should not meet during the month, the report will be carried over to the next meeting of the Tribal Council. In any case, a report of activities and progress will be on file.

ARTICLE III MEETINGS

SECTION 1: The Health Board shall meet semi-monthly on the second Wednesday and last Friday of each month. Special meetings are called by the chairman with the purpose and principal items of business stated.

SECTION 2: There must be at least three (3) voting members of the Board present at a meeting to constitute a quorum. If a quorum is not present within one-half hour after the announced meeting time, then it will be declared a quorum not present and the meeting dismissed.

ARTICLE IV AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1: The By-Laws of the Health Board may be amended by a majority vote of the Board at any regular meeting, provided a written copy of the proposed amendments have been sent to all Board members at least five (5) working days prior to the date of the meeting. All proposed amendments approved by the Board shall be subject to written approval of the Tribal Council Business Committee.

ARTICLE V FISCAL YEAR

SECTION 1: The fiscal year shall be July 1 - June 30, inclusive, except for the Indian Health Service Medical and Division of Indian Community Development Contracts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Oneida Community Health Center, the Community Health Representative, the Maternal Child Health program, the Women, Infants & Children program, and all other health programs will carry out the mandates of the Health Board. It is to be recognized and understood that the Health Coordinator is charged by the Health Board with the responsibility to work with "all government, state, and private resources and agencies" (Article I, Section 6). Should there arise any conflict in policies between those of the Health Board and other governmental or private agencies providing services in the Oneida community which is not in the best interest of the community, the Health Coordinator will make recommendations to the Health Board for action by the Tribal Business Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the purpose of this resolution is to delegate authority and responsibility to the Health Board without any concurrent loss of ultimate Tribal authority; the Health Board serves and functions as an official arm of the Oneida Tribal Business Committee on all health related matters.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution will become effective immediately upon favorable Tribal Business Committee action.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members, constitute a quorum, were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, and held on the 21 day of April, 1975, that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 5 for, 1 against and 0 members not voting, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Margaret Doxtater
Margaret Doxtater, Secretary
Oneida Business Committee