



Oneida Business Committee

Regular Meeting
9 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2014
BC Conference Room, 2nd floor, Norbert Hill Center

Minutes

Present: Chairwoman Tina Danforth, Vice-Chairwoman Melinda J. Danforth, Treasurer Trish King, Council members Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster;

Not Present: Secretary Lisa Summers;

Others present: Dale Webster, Madelyn Genskow, Brad Graham, Bill Graham, Kimberly Uelmen, Kayla Koch, Ken House, John L. Breuninger, Art Cornelius, Don Webster, Killy Melchert, Ravinder Vir, Debbie Danforth, Mary Adams, Janice McLester, Jennifer Jordan, Barbara Kuks, Jonathan Frion, Lauren Hartman, Marlene Summers, Lee McLester III, E.A. McLester, Marianne Close, Joanie Buckley, Louise Cornelius, Elaine Skenandore-Cornelius, Jerry Cornelius, J. Gautreaux, Melissa Nuthals, Kaylynn Gresham, Dianne McLester-Heim, Michele Doxtator, Linda Jenkins, Sharon Mousseau, Leah Dodge, Nathan Smith, Tom Danforth, Troy D. Parr, RC Metoxen;

I. Call to Order and Roll Call by Chairwoman Tina Danforth at 9:03 a.m.

II. Opening by Councilman Tehassi Hill

A. Recognition of Pulaski High School Marching Band – Melinda J. Danforth, Tribal Vice-Chairwoman
Special recognition by Melinda J. Danforth, Tribal Vice-Chairwoman.

B. Recognition of Marjorie “Marj” Stevens and presentation of WISDOT award – Brandon Stevens, Councilman – Deferred
Special recognition by Brandon Stevens, Councilman.

C. Special Recognition: Core Values and Honoring of 220th Anniversary of the Treaty of Canandaigua – Jennifer Webster, Councilwoman

1. Reading of the Resolution

Reading by Jenny Webster, Councilwoman.

2. Treaty of Canandaigua Overview

Overview by Lee Gordon McLester III.

3. Presentation of Oneida Nation Wampum Belt

Presentation by Jenny Webster, Councilwoman.

4. Presentation of Core Values

Presentation by Jenny Webster, Councilwoman.

III. Adopt the agenda

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to adopt the agenda with two changes in order (to address agenda item XV.B.2. School Board – Academic Achievement Program – Bloomington, MN January 6-7, 2015, and agenda item XV.B.3 School Board – BIE Regional Education Conference – Minneapolis, MN December 16-18, 2014, after agenda item IX.B.6. Oneida School Board and to address agenda item XIV. F. Approve Hyperbaric Chamber to remain in the FY-2015 budget and send to GTC for approval after agenda item IV. Oaths of Office) and one deletion (XV.B.5. Ratify e-poll: Business Committee – Treaty of Canandaigua Anniversary – Washington D.C November 9-11, 2014), seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster
Not Present: Lisa Summers

IV. Oaths of Office administered by Chairwoman Tina Danforth.

A. Anna John Resident Centered Care Community – Kitty Melchert and Jacob Metoxen

B. Southeastern Oneida Tribal Service Advisory Board – Barbara Kuks, Pamela Harms, and Daniel Schiller

C. Election Board – Jon Frion and Lori Elm¹

V. Minutes

A. Approve October 14, 2014 special meeting minutes

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the October 14, 2014 special meeting minutes, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster
Not Present: Lisa Summers

B. Approve October 22, 2014 regular meeting minutes

Motion by Jenny Webster to approve the October 22, 2014 regular meeting minutes, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster
Not Present: Lisa Summers

C. Approve October 28, 2014 special meeting minutes

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the October 28, 2014 special meeting minutes, seconded by Jenny Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster
Not Present: Lisa Summers

VI. Resolutions

A. Adopt resolution Rescinding Resolution # BC-6-21-06-I – Fee to Trust for the Property located at 2522 West Mason Street

Sponsor: Pat Pelky, Division Director/EHS

Motion by Brandon Stevens to adopt resolution 11-12-14-A Rescinding Resolution # BC-6-21-06-I – Fee to Trust for the Property located at 2522 West Mason Street, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster
Not Present: Lisa Summers

B. Adopt resolution Re-Affirmation of Core Values

Sponsor: Jenny Webster, Councilwoman

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to adopt resolution 11-12-14-B Re-Affirmation of Core Values, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster
Not Present: Lisa Summers

¹ The Oath of Office for Lori Elm was administered by Vice-Chairwoman Melinda J. Danforth prior to agenda item XVII.A.1.

VII. Operational Reports

A. Governmental Services Division

Sponsor: Don White, Division Director/GSD

Motion by Jenny Webster to accept the Governmental Services Division quarterly report, seconded by Trish King.
Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

VIII. Corporate Reports (No Reports Due)

IX. Boards Committees and Commissions

A. Appointments

1. Appoint Wesley Martin to the Finance Committee (Elder Position)

Sponsor: Tina Danforth, Tribal Chairwoman

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the recommendation to appoint Wesley Martin to the Finance Committee (Elder Position), seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

2. Appoint Rita Reiter to the Trust/Enrollment Committee

Sponsor: Brandon Stevens, Council Member

Motion by Jenny Webster to appoint Rita Reiter to the Trust/Enrollment Committee, seconded by Fawn Billie.
Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

For the record: Melinda J. Danforth stated this appointment is due to a resignation that was had within the Trust/Enrollment Committee.

B. Quarterly Reports

1. Oneida Personnel Commission – Yvonne Jourdan, Chairwoman

Liaison: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Excerpt from October 22, 2014: (1) Motion by Tehassi Hill to accept the Oneida Personnel Commission quarterly report, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion withdrawn. (2) Motion by Tehassi Hill that the Personnel Commission work with the Internal Services Director to clarify the non-gaming employees without an advocate for September and to defer the report to the next meeting, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from October 8, 2014: Motion by Lisa Summers to halt any and all stipends to the Oneida Personnel Commission until the delinquent report is accepted by the Business Committee, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously.

i. Ratify e-poll for acceptance of the Oneida Personnel Commission quarterly report

Sponsor: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Motion by Jenny Webster to ratify the e-poll for acceptance of the Oneida Personnel Commission quarterly report, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

2. Oneida Arts Board – Nicolas Reynolds, Chairman

Liaison: Jenny Webster, Councilwoman

Excerpt from October 22, 2014: Motion by Tehassi Hill to defer the Oneida Arts Board report and ask Councilwoman Jenny Webster, liaison to the Oneida Arts Board, to follow up and notify the Oneida Arts Board of their delinquent report, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Jenny Webster to accept the Oneida Arts Board quarterly report, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

3. South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services Advisory Board – Pamela Ninham, Chairwoman (No Report Submitted)

Liaison: Tina Danforth, Tribal Chairwoman

Excerpt from October 22, 2014: (1) Motion by Jenny Webster halt any and all stipends to the South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services Advisory Board until the delinquent report is submitted to the Business Committee and accepted by the Business Committee, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously. **(2)** Motion by Lisa Summers to direct the Tribal Chairwoman Tina Danforth, liaison to the SEOTS Advisory Board, to notify the SEOTS Advisory Board of their delinquent report and ask that the report is submitted for the next Business Committee agenda, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Jenny Webster to continue to halt any and all stipends to the South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services Advisory Board and to send this concern to the LOC to see if this board is needed. Motion fails for lack of support.

Motion by Jenny Webster to continue to halt any and all stipends to the South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services Advisory Board until the delinquent report is submitted to the Business Committee and accepted by the Business Committee, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

4. Oneida Land Claims Commission

Liaison: Brandon Stevens, Councilman

Motion by Jenny Webster to accept the Oneida Land Claims Commission report and to remind the Oneida Land Claims Commission to submit their reports timely to avoid any further confusion, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

5. Oneida Land Commission

Liaison: Tehassi Hill, Councilman

Motion by Jenny Webster to accept the Oneida Land Commission quarterly report, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

6. Oneida School Board

Liaison: Fawn Billie, Councilwoman

Motion by Jenny Webster to accept the Oneida School Board quarterly report, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

X. Continuing Resolution Reports

A. Comprehensive Health Division

Sponsor: Debbie Danforth, Division Director/Operations

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the Comprehensive Health Division continuing resolution report, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

Motion by Jenny Webster for Comprehensive Health Division to purchase a Codontics Printer and the installation of it, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

B. Gaming Division – hiring status/activity report

Sponsor: Louise Cornelius, Gaming General Manager

Motion by Tehassi Hill to accept the Gaming Division continuing resolution report, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster

Not Present: Melinda J. Danforth, Lisa Summers

C. Internal Services Division – Boomers in Groups

Sponsor: Joanie Buckley, Division Director/Internal Services

Motion by Brandon Stevens to accept the Internal Services Division continuing resolution report, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried with one opposed and one abstention:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill

Opposed: Jenny Webster

Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth

Not Present: Lisa Summers

XI. Standing Committees

A. Legislative Operating Committee

Sponsor: Councilman Brandon Stevens, Chairman

1. Accept Legislative Operating Committee meeting minutes of October 15, 2014

Motion by Brandon Stevens to accept the Legislative Operating Committee meeting minutes of October 15, 2014, seconded by Jenny Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

B. Finance Committee

Sponsor: Tribal Treasurer Trish King, Chairwoman

1. Approve Finance Committee meeting minutes of October 13, 2014

Excerpt from October 22, 2014: (1) Motion by Fawn Billie to approve Finance Committee meeting minutes of October 13, 2014, seconded by Trish King.² (2) Amendment to the main motion by Jenny Webster to include the approval of the procedural exception for agenda item V.1. of the Finance Committee meeting of October 13, 2014, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously.

i. Ratify e-poll: approve Finance Committee meeting minutes of October 13, 2014

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to ratify e-poll to approve Finance Committee meeting minutes of October 13, 2014, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

²The main motion was not acted upon. An e-poll to approve the Finance Committee meeting minutes of October 13, 2014, was sent on October 28, 2014. E-poll results: six (6) votes in support, zero (0) votes opposed, and (0) votes abstaining.

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster
Not Present: Lisa Summers

2. Approve Finance Committee meeting minutes of November 3, 2014

Motion by Fawn Billie to approve Finance Committee meeting minutes of November 3, 2014, seconded by Jenny Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster
Not Present: Lisa Summers

C. Community Development Planning Committee (No Requested Action)

D. Quality of Life (No Requested Action)

XII. General Tribal Council

A. Petitioner Michelle Danforth: To change the Oneida Constitution and By-Laws in regards to membership

Sponsor: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Excerpt from October 22, 2014: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the legislative, fiscal and legal analyses as provided for this petition and direct the Tribal Secretary to provide an update at the next Business Committee meeting on the update of the conversation with the petitioner, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from October 8, 2014: Motion by Trish King to defer Michelle Danforth's Petition to change the Oneida Constitution and By-Laws in regards to membership to the next regular Business Committee meeting, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from September 24, 2014: Motion by Fawn Billie to defer Michelle Danforth's Petition to change the Oneida Constitution and By-Laws in regards to membership to the next regular Business Committee meeting, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from August 13, 2014: Motion by Vince DeLaRosa to accept the petition and send it on for the appropriate analyses to be completed and to come back to the Business Committee in 30 days, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the update as information and to direct the Tribal Secretary to provide a final recommendation on this item at the December 10, 2014, Business Committee meeting, seconded by Jenny Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster
Not Present: Lisa Summers

B. Petitioners Leah Sue Dodge, Michael T. Debraska, Franklin L. Cornelius and Bradley Graham.: To hold a GTC Meeting to address various Tribal election issues

Sponsor: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Excerpt from October 22, 2014: Motion by Jenny Webster to accept the update as FYI, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from September 10, 2014: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to direct the Law, Finance and Legislative Reference offices submit the requested analyses to the Tribal Secretary's office within 45 days, and that a progress report be submitted in 30 days, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Brandon Stevens to accept the legislative analysis of the petition, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster
Not Present: Lisa Summers

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to defer the GTC Petitions Process SOP to a Business Committee work meeting for discussion, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

C. Petitioner John Powless Jr.: Develop and construct an Oneida dialysis center

Sponsor: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Excerpt from October 22, 2014: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to direct the Tribal Secretary to determine an available GTC meeting date where the petition can be addressed and to bring this information back to the next regular Business Committee meeting, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from June 25, 2014: Motion by Patty Hoefft to accept the legal and LRO analysis as information, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from June 11, 2014: Motion by David Jordan to accept the statement of effect for the resolution accompanying this petition and that it continue to receive the appropriate analyses, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from May 15, 2014: Motion by David Jordan to accept the petition and that the appropriate analyses be completed and brought back to the Business Committee in 30 days, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to add the completed John Powless, Jr. petition titled "Develop and Construct an Oneida Dialysis Center" to the July 2015 Semi -Annual General Tribal Council meeting agenda, and if there is a special General Tribal Council meeting called before the July 2015 Semi-Annual General Tribal Council meeting that this petition be placed on that agenda, seconded by Jenny Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

D. 2014 Comprehensive Plan

Sponsor: Butch Rentmeester/Division Director/Development

Motion by Jenny Webster to accept to the report and forward this to the Annual GTC meeting agenda for January 5, 2015, with adjustments made to incorporate the recommendations made by the Vice-Chairwoman and the Chairwoman to be more specific, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

Amendment to the main motion by Jenny Webster that the Development team be in attendance and present the report at the Annual GTC meeting and be there to answer questions, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

E. Approve annual GTC meeting agenda for January 5, 2015

Sponsor: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Motion by Brandon Stevens to approve the annual GTC meeting agenda for January 5, 2015, and that the agenda be amended to include BDO in the packet to present, and to direct the Tribal Secretary to identify an alternate date in case of inclement weather to be brought back before the printing date for the meeting packet and to include the alternate date in the meeting packet, seconded by Jenny Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster

Not Present: Lisa Summers

Motion by Jenny Webster to recess for lunch and return and 1:15 p.m., seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill,
Jenny Webster
Not Present: Lisa Summers

Called to order at 1:25 p.m. by Vice-Chairwoman Melinda J. Danforth.

Chairwoman Tina Danforth is excused.

Vice-Chairwoman Melinda J. Danforth assumes responsibilities of the Chair.

Motion by Fawn Billie to come out of recess at 1:25 p.m., seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

XIII. Unfinished Business

XIV. New Business

A. Approve letter of cooperation for Jennifer Jordan for Walden University Research Project

Sponsor: Melinda J. Danforth, Tribal Vice-Chairwoman

Motion by Jenny Webster to approve the letter of cooperation for Jennifer Jordan for Walden University Research Project, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

B. Ratify E-Poll for approval of support of the My Brother's Keeper Initiative & Kickoff event in November 2014

Sponsor: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Motion by Jenny Webster to ratify E-Poll for approval of support of the My Brother's Keeper Initiative & Kickoff event in November 2014, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

C. My Brother's Keeper Proclamation

Sponsor: Brandon Stevens, Councilman

Motion by Jenny Webster to adopt resolution 11-12-14-C Proclamation Regarding the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin's Committee to the My Brother's Keeper Community Challenge with the two noted changes 1) Change Committee to Commitment in title 2) Add 'and' in the be it further resolved paragraph, between commitments and challenges, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Brandon Stevens, Lisa Summers

D. Approve Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity for Wells Fargo Merchant Application for Oneida Utilities Dept Contract #2014-1216

Sponsor: Larry Barton, Chief Financial Officer

Motion by Jenny Webster to approve the Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity for Wells Fargo Merchant Application for Oneida Utilities Dept Contract #2014-1216, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Brandon Stevens, Lisa Summers

E. Approve Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity for Dun & Bradstreet Inc. Contract #2014-1178

Sponsor: Brandon Stevens, Councilman

Motion by Jenny Webster to approve the Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity for Dun & Bradstreet Inc. Contract #2014-1178, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Abstained: Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

F. Approve Hyperbaric Chamber to remain in the FY-2015 budget and send to GTC for approval

Sponsor: Tina Danforth, Tribal Chairwoman

Motion by Brandon Stevens to accept the information as FYI and include this item into the FY-2015 budget process, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

G. Approve Premium Pay for 2015

Sponsor: Geraldine Danforth, Area Manager/HRD

Motion by Jenny Webster to approve the Premium Pay for 2015, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

XV. Travel

A. Travel Reports

1. Business Committee – WisDOT Secretary's Tribal Leadership Consultation Meeting – Lac du Flambeau, WI September 18, 2014

Sponsor: Tehassi Hill, Councilman

Motion by Trish King to accept the travel report Business Committee – WisDOT Secretary's Tribal Leadership Consultation Meeting – Lac du Flambeau, WI September 18, 2014, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Jenny Webster
Abstained: Tehassi Hill
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

Motion by Tehassi Hill to forward the issue regarding licensing Tribal members with Tribal plates to the Special Committee on State-Tribal relations for potential development of legislation, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

Motion by Tehassi Hill to defer the County H speed reduction to the next Intergovernmental Affairs and Communications briefing, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

B. Travel Requests

1. Election Board – 2014 Special Election – Milwaukee, WI November 21-23, 2014

Liaison: Melinda J. Danforth, Tribal Vice-Chairwoman

Motion by Jenny Webster to approve the procedural exception travel request Election Board – 2014 Special Election – Milwaukee, WI for the when the special election occurs, regarding the BC vacancy, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

2. School Board – Academic Achievement Program – Bloomington, MN January 6-7, 2015

Liaison: Fawn Billie, Councilwoman

Motion by Jenny Webster to approve the exception to cost containment for three travelers to Academic Achievement Program – Bloomington, MN January 6-7, 2015, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

3. School Board – BIE Regional Education Conference – Minneapolis, MN December 16-18, 2014

Liaison: Fawn Billie, Councilwoman

Motion by Jenny Webster to approve the exception to cost containment for three travelers to BIE Regional Education Conference – Minneapolis, MN December 16-18, 2014, noting funding is grant funded, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

4. ONCOA – WI DHS Long Term Care Training – Lac du Flambeau, WI November 17-18, 2014

Liaison: Melinda J. Danforth, Tribal Vice-Chairwoman

Motion by Trish King to approve an exception to the Travel Policy for five travelers to attend DHS Long Term Care Training – Lac du Flambeau, WI November 17-18, 2014 and note that all travel is covered by grant funding, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

~~**5. Ratify e-poll: Business Committee – Treaty of Canandaigua Anniversary – Washington D.C November 9-11, 2014**~~

~~Sponsor: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary~~

~~Item deleted at the adoption of the agenda~~

6. Business Committee – Franklin Covey Training Presentation – Chicago, IL December 1-2, 2014

Sponsor: Fawn Billie, Councilwoman

Motion by Brandon Stevens to approve the travel request Business Committee – Franklin Covey Training Presentation – Chicago, IL December 1-2, 2014, contingent upon Councilwoman Billie following up with the internal trainers to ensure that the training is not available within the organization, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried with one opposed and two abstentions:

Ayes: Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill
Opposed: Jenny Webster
Abstained: Fawn Billie, Trish King
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

7. Business Committee – Special Committee on State Tribal Relations - Tribal Caucus – Crandon, WI November 17-18, 2014

Sponsor: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Motion by Jenny Webster to approve the travel request Business Committee – Special Committee on State Tribal Relations - Tribal Caucus – Crandon, WI November 17-18, 2014, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

XVI. Executive Session

Motion by Trish King to go into executive session at 2:06 p.m., seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

Motion by Tehassi Hill to come out of executive session at 4:13 p.m., seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

XVII. Open Session Action on items from Executive Session

A. Reports

1. Chief Counsel report

Motion by Tehassi Hill to approve the Chief Counsel report dated November 12, 2014, seconded by Jenny Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

Motion by Jenny Webster to approve allocation of funding as requested in the November 12, 2014, Chief Counsel Report for the appeal in the ACF, et al. v. Oneida Tribe, OSGC, GBRE litigation, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

Motion by Jenny Webster to approve correspondence regarding the Wisconsin Safe Haven Law and the Indian Child Welfare Act to be sent to the Special Committee on State-Tribal Relations, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

Motion by Jenny Webster to authorize the submission of a protest letter to Hudson Insurance Group regarding coverage decision, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

B. Audit Committee

1. Accept special Audit Committee meeting minutes of August 7, 2014

Motion by Brandon Stevens to accept special Audit Committee meeting minutes of August 7, 2014, seconded by Jenny Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

2. Schedule special executive session Business Committee meeting on December 29, 2014

Motion by Tehassi Hill to schedule special executive session Business Committee meeting on December 15, 2014, with an alternate date December 19, 2014, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

Melinda J. Danforth stated I will be attending the Department of Health and Human Services state-tribal consultation on December 15, 2014, so I will be unavailable to chair that meeting.

C. Unfinished Business/BC directives (No Requested Action)

D. Tabled Business (No Requested Action)

E. New Business/Requests

1. Personnel Matter

Sponsor: Trish King, Tribal Treasurer

Motion by Tehassi Hill to accept the recommendation from the Business Committee Officers and request the Business Committee Officers implement the actions as requested, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

2. Compensation Adjustment Issue

Sponsor: Melinda J. Danforth, Tribal Vice-Chairwoman

Motion by Tehassi Hill to defer this item to the next regular Business Committee meeting, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

3. Development Division Resignation & Recommended Next Steps

Sponsor: Tina Danforth, Tribal Chairwoman

Motion by Fawn Billie to defer this item back to the Business Committee Officers for additional options, seconded by Jenny Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

4. Emergency Management Location Recommendation

Sponsor: Melinda J. Danforth, Tribal Vice-Chairwoman

Motion by Jenny Webster to approve the move of the Office of Emergency Management, contingent upon legal opinion and outcome of discussions with the Facilities Management Team, with the understanding that a 30-day move out notice would be provided to the VFW, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

XVIII. Adjourn

Motion by Tehassi Hill to adjourn at 4:22 p.m., seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Fawn Billie, Brandon Stevens, Tehassi Hill, Jenny Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Lisa Summers

Minutes prepared by Danelle Wilson, Executive Assistant
Minutes approved as presented/corrected on November 26, 2014.



Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary
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