



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

# Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Inc.



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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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SPECIAL MEETING  
OCTOBER 31, 1979  
1:30 pm

PRESENT: Chrmn. Purcell Powless, V-Chrmn. Norbert Hill, Secretary, Wanda Webster, Treasurer Wendell McLester, Members: Mark Powless, Margaret Doxtater, Edwin King, Myron Smith. Excused: Loretta Metoxen.

ALSO PRESENT: Alma Webster, Kathy Hughes, Harriet Reiter, Betty Dennison, Maryellen Hayes, Ruby White, Anna John, Hurley Parkhurst, Rochelle Premeau, Cheryl Cornelius, Carl Rasmussen, Ernie Stevens, Sonny King, Sandra Ninham, Minetta Smith, Jerry Hill, Nancy Webster, Christine Doxtator, Fran Skenandore, Ted White, Tim King, Alberta Baird, Audrey Doxtator, Amelia Cornelius, Caroleen Skenandore, Frank Cornelius, Harriet Alicea, Barbara Denny, Howard Cannon, Simon DeCoteau, Sue Daniels, Steve Stevens.

Chrmn. Purcell Powless called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm. The purpose of the meeting was to meet with all the Program Directors and people from the accounting office to answer any questions or suggestions they might have regarding the financial situation. He also stated that there would be temporary lay offs until the situation is stabilized.

Alma asked if there were any questions from the people present. Mark gave a brief estimation as to why we are in the situation we're in. Programs do not have their budgets in on time (some programs). All of the money is put in a general fund and the programs that do not have any money is drawing out of that fund. A lot of the grants and contracts have not come through yet. Some of the programs that have no budget are: administration, agriculture, mini-bus, refuse, kali-wisaks, Memorial building, Archiquette building, recreation, utilities commission.

Ernie Stevens explained his programs, and suggested: 1. All government contracts should be line items. 2. Budget contract should be separated, it isn't good to co-mingle funds.

Wendell stated he will have a plan (suggestions) in about 1½ weeks on how the accounting office should be run, he will recommend to the business Committee and accounting office. He is aware of the problems and is trying to implement a system. Suggestions from everyone will be helpful. He will get the dollar amount that we are in arrears from Kathy or Alma.

Frank Cornelius commented that it takes 45 days to get money after the BIA approves budgets.

Jerry Hill said that he will be getting his money by the end of this week.

Lengthy discussion concerning program directors responsibility of getting their budgets in on time.

Wendell asked how much money is spent on administration, Alma responded about \$250,000.00. And are we able to meet our next payroll. Yes, we are but just that.

Ted White suggested a 4day week, 7hr day with no travel and just the essentials for 1 month. Alma thought it would not help that much.

Jerry Hill thought Program Directors should pay the consequences for lack of budgeting.

Discussion of JOM: Sandra Ninham stated that the Tribe should set a priority in Education. Home School Coordinators wanted to do their budgets in July, but Ron did not submit them until last week.

Ernie suggested that the Tribe should have their own contract manager monitoring these programs. Discussion as to this is Bill Gollnick's job.

Chrmn. Powless stated that we should watch our spending and use our own judgement.

Meeting adjourned at 3:35 pm

BUSINESS COMMITTEE WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 3:35

Rochelle Premeau presented a EOC Proposal for \$106,000.00 for fiscal year 1981-82. Proposal \$106,000.00 Inkind \$34,000.00

stated Directors should make sure that their programs are refunded

Wendell moved to approve budget contingent on a final budget report. Mark seconded. Vote was 7 for with 1 oppose (Myron).

Letter To Health Board from Paul Skenandore: Letter was written from Paul Skenandore stating that the Health Board be charged for a letter that was published regarding the Health Center. At the time, he said there was no cost, but later changed his mind when Harriet told him to publish it just the way it is.

Mark suggested to research the minutes to find the information as to what Paul can and cannot do.

Wendell will have some information from the research he has done regarding the financial situation and the Bob Archiquette problem.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm

Respectfully Submitted

  
Wanda Webster, Tribal Sec