



# 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.

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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.

## SPECIAL MEETING

November 3, 1980  
1:40 P.M.

**PRESENT:** Purcell Powless, Chairman; Norbert Hill, V-Chairman; Wanda Webster, Secretary; Wendell McLester, Treasurer; Mark Powless, Edwin King Jr., Loretta Metoxen.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Richard Shikowski, Yvonne Tubby, Geraldine Stevens, Amelia Cornelius, Vera Wilson, Ron Larsen.

Purpose of the meeting was to review the concerns which the Oneida Education Board has in regards to their responsibilities.

lia explained the situation the Education Board is in, she stated that the Education Board needs to establish priorities for all the schools, not just for the Tribal School. Elections for the Education Board will be held in January. Another concern was the need for a person (Administrative Aide) to take care of the day to day problems of education. At the present time there are no funds available to pay for this position. Another area that this person could work in would be to obtain 874 funds. Loretta Metoxen volunteered to work with the Education Board to follow up on the goals of the Ed. Board. The Education Board will be meeting with parent committees to develop a comprehensive plan for an overall education program for all schools.

### RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NEW MEMBERS ON THE ED. BOARD:

The Education Board recommended Maxine Thomas to serve on the Education Board for the West DePere district and Rick Wheelock for the Seymour district. These people will fill the vacancies on the Ed. Board until January when elections for new members will be held. (Loretta leaves).

Motion was made by Wendell to approve the recommendation of the Education Board. Norbert seconded. Motion carried unanimously. (Loretta returns).

Discussion on the request from the Language Program and Tribal School, they are requesting \$1,065 for used audio equipment that the Semonary is selling.

Motion was made by Mark to request that the Seminary donate this equipment to the Oneida Tribe due to the financial situation the Tribe is in. Wendell seconded. No one opposed, motion carried.

(EDUCATION BOARD LEAVES AT 2:30).

**GO COMMITTEE PRESENT:** Sanrda Ninham, Alma Webster, Kathleen Stevens, Jerry Hill, Francis Skenandore.

The Bingo Committee presented a budget for 10/1/80 to 9/30/81, the total budget is for \$155,153.00

Motion was made by Norbert to approve the budget. Wendell seconded. No one opposed, motion carried.

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Discussion on the new Bingo building. Mark suggested that the Bingo Committee look into the possibility of some of the positions for Bingo be salaried full time positions for '81-82.

Wanda stated the Bingo Committee will fix up the floors in the gym when their building is built.

LAW OFFICE:

Francis stated that he and Jerry had met with the Brown County District Attorney on October 10, 1980 to discuss the Oneida Bingo and that it is now time for the Tribe to take action to file an injunctive relief suit against Brown County not to enforce the state bingo control laws on the Oneida Tribe. Francis also stated it will be a friendly suit and will be filed by the first of December, if the Tribe loses, we will appeal. The State Attorney General will not help Brown County, he has issued an opinion and leaves it up to Brown County to handle. Mark asked Francis to explain to the Bingo Committee why it is so important that the Tribe not have non-Indians working at Bingo, Mark also stated that he hopes that the Law Office and the Bingo Committee have better communication and work together.

Francis stated the Tribe should try to avoid publicity on this as much as possible. A letter will be coming to the Chairman this week from the Brown County D.A. (this action will be filed in Federal Court).

Kathy stated the coin count is counted separate for Wednesdays bingo and the weekend coin count is totaled at the end of each and included in the monthly report.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Request from Edwin to approve the following for the newly established Recreation Committee: Ernest Marlewski - President; Ron John - V-President; Tina Delgado - Secretary; Sonny King - Treasurer; Ernie Stevens Jr., Cliff Webster, Jackie Danforth as members.

Motion was made by Norbert to approve the Recreation Committee. Wendell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting ended at 2:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Wanda Webster, Secretary  
Oneida Business Committee