

# **Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin**

## **BUSINESS COMMITTEE**



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.

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### **ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE**

#### **REGULAR MEETING**

**JUNE 11, 2003**

#### **BUSINESS COMMITTEE CONFERENCE ROOM**

**PRESENT:** Tina Danforth - Chair, Kathy Hughes - Vice Chair, Julie Barton - Secretary, Vince DelaRosa, Brian Doxtator, Trish King and Curtis Danforth - Council Members

**EXCUSED:** Mercie Danforth - Treasurer and Paul Ninham -Council Member

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Brad Graham, Lori Elm, Kitty Melchert, Racquel Hill, Richard LeMay, Chris Doxtator, Jennifer Hill-Kelley, Wanda Diemel, Marsha Danforth, Dottie Krull, Janice Hirth and Louise Cornelius.

**OPENING:** Brian Doxtator

**I. CALL TO ORDER BY TINA DANFORTH AT 9:00 A.M.**

**II. OATH OF OFFICE**

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**A. ADDITIONS:**

**TO TRAVEL REPORTS:**

3 Mercie Danforth

RE: Native American Finance Officer's  
Association (NAFOA) 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Session,  
Phoenix, AZ - May 6-9, 2003

**TO NEW BUSINESS, REQUESTS:**

5 Janice Hirth

RE: Class III - Gaming Facility Licenses

6 Trish King

RE: Hobart Public Hearing Testimony

**B. DELETIONS:**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY  
CURTIS DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**IV. MINUTES TO BE APPROVED:**

Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of June 4, 2003

**MOTION BY TRISH KING TO APPROVE THE JUNE 4, 2003 MINUTES, SECONDED  
BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**V. TABLED BUSINESS:**

**VI. REPORTS**

**J. TRAVEL REPORTS**

Kathy Hughes/Paul Ninham/Kevin Cornelius

RE: Nation Republican Congress  
Committee

**Excerpt from June 4, 2003: MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO AMEND ITEM SIX  
TRAVEL REPORT TO NEXT WEEKS AGENDA UNDER TRAVEL REPORTS,  
SECONDED BY MERCIE DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Response due June 11, 2003

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO ACCEPT THE TRAVEL REPORT, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. FOR: TRISH KING, VINCE DELAROSA, JULIE BARTON. KATHY HUGHES ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

2. Paul Ninham

RE: Tribal Trust Reform Task Force Meeting, Washington, D.C. - May 29, 2003

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO ACCEPT THE TRAVEL REPORT, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. Mercie Danforth

RE: Native American Finance Officer's Association (NAFOA) 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Session, Phoenix, AZ - May 6-9, 2003

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO ACCEPT THE TRAVEL REPORT, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO AMEND THE MOTION TO REQUEST THE LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DIRECTOR TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON HR.142 POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE IMPACTS TO THE TRIBE, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**L. FOLLOW UP REPORTS/BC DIRECTIVES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

1. Law Office/LOC (Trish King)

RE: Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation Corporate Charter Amendments

**Excerpt from May 21, 2003: MOTION BY PAUL NINHAM TO DEFER THIS ITEM TO THE LAW OFFICE AND LOC FOR REVIEW, BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from June 4, 2003: MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Response due June 11, 2003

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR THIRTY DAYS, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2. Janice Hirth

RE: Veterans Clinic Site Weekly Update

**Excerpt from May 28, 2003: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO DEFER TO ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER TO FORMULATE A TEAM AND PROVIDE A WEEKLY UPDATE STARTING NEXT WEEK REGARDING THE STATUS OF THE VA CLINIC, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due June 11, 2003**

**Response Submitted**

**MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO ACCEPT THE UPDATE ON THE VETERANS CLINIC SITE , SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**For the record, Brian Doxtator commended the vice chair on her helping move this forward.**

3 Janice Hirth/Linda Torres

RE: Indian Housing Plan

**Excerpt from May 28, 2003: MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO DEFER THIS ITEM TO THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE PLANNING CAUCUS MEETING AND THE ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER FOR DISSEMINATION THROUGHOUT THE ORGANIZATION WITH COMMENTS BACK TO THE JUNE 10<sup>TH</sup> BUSINESS COMMITTEE PLANNING CAUCUS MEETING AND BACK TO THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE AGENDA OF JUNE 18, 2003, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. FOR: MERCIE DANFORTH AND TRISH KING. CURTIS DANFORTH, JULIE BARTON OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO APPROVE THE HOUSING PLAN AS SUBMITTED, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. FOR: TRISH KING, CURTIS DANFORTH. BRIAN DOXTATOR OPPOSED. JULIE BARTON ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**For the Record, Julie Barton abstained due to language referring to state codes remains in the document.**

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. RESOLUTIONS**

1 Marsha Danforth RE: Tribal Injury Prevention Program Grant

**MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 6-11-03-A, FOR THE TRIBAL INJURY PREVENTION PROGRAM GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**B. REQUESTS**

Julie Barton RE: Oneida Seven Generations Corporation Recommendation

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF APPOINTING ANTHONY JOSEPH MESSNER TO THE SEVEN GENERATIONS CORPORATION, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2 Vince DelaRosa RE: Community Meeting on June 27, 2003 regarding Phase three of the Compensation Review Project

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE JUNE 27, 2003 COMMUNITY MEETING DATE, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY..**

3. Lloyd Powless RE: Post One (1) vacant position on the Oneida Pow Wow Committee

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO POST THE POSITION AND ALLOW BEN VIEAU TO CONTINUE ON UNTIL FILLED, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. Chris Doxtator

RE: Post Two (2) vacant position on the  
Oneida Land Commission

**MOTION BY CURTIS DANFORTH TO POST THE TWO VACANT POSITIONS ON THE LAND COMMISSION, AND TO ALLOW HUGH DANFORTH AND PAT CORNELIUS TO REMAIN IN THEIR POSITIONS UNTIL FILLED, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. Janice Hirth

RE: Class III - Gaming Facility Licenses

**MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO DEFER FOR APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO APPROVE THE SIX GAMING FACILITY LICENSES SUBMITTED, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6. Trish King

RE: Hobart Public Hearing Testimony

**MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR THE CHAIR TO SUBMIT THE LETTER WITH EDITING FINALIZATION, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **C. TRAVEL REQUESTS**

Tina Danforth

RE: Reception Honoring Senator Daniel Inouye and the Tribal Leaders Forum, San Francisco, CA - June 30 - July 1, 2003

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE TRAVEL REQUEST WITH CHIEF COUNSEL RECOMMENDING AN ATTORNEY TO ATTEND, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

For the record, the treasurer's office will identify funds for contribution.

#### **D. VACATION REQUESTS**

### **VIII. FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE**

**X. TREASURERS REPORT- 4th Wednesday of the Month - Mercie Danforth**

**XI. ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE PLANNING/CAUCUS**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO RECESS FOR FIFTEEN MINUTES,  
SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A. TABLED BUSINESS**

**B. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Mercie Danforth RE: Status Update - Urban Hope Contract

**Excerpt from November 27, 2002: MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE URBAN HOPE CONTRACT FOR \$35,000.00 WITH THE TREASURER PROVIDING A STATUS UPDATE WITHIN SIX MONTHS AND ADD THE URBAN HOPE CONTRACT IN THE FEBRUARY ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE PLANNING MEETING, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from May 14, 2003: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from May 28, 2003: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due June 11, 2003**

**Response Submitted**

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO ACCEPT THE UPDATE, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO DIRECT THE ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO BE INCLUDED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE 2004 URBAN HOPE CONTRACT, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. JULIE BARTON ABSTAINED. TRISH KING OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED.**

2. Carl Artman/Gaming Commission/Eric McLester

RE: NIGC MICS

**Excerpt from December 18, 2002: MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO DEFER THE GAMING COMMISSION REQUEST REGARDING THE MINIMUM INTERNAL CONTROL STANDARDS TO THE JANUARY 2, 2003 BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING WITH THE LAW OFFICE BRINGING BACK RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THIS ITEM, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. FOR: TRISH KING, KATHY HUGHES, MERCIE DANFORTH, CURTIS DANFORTH, JULIE BARTON. VINCE DELAROSA OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Thirty Day Extension - January 2, 2003, February 12, 2003**

**Excerpt from March 26, 2003: MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO DIRECT THE ONEIDA GAMING COMMISSION, LAW OFFICE AND THE GAMING GENERAL MANAGER TO JOINTLY BRING A RECOMMENDATION BACK IN ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from April 2, 2003: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO ACCEPT THE REPORT AND TO DEFER THIS ITEM TO THE APRIL 30, 2003 BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from April 30, 2003: MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR THIRTY DAYS, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due June 11, 2003**

**Response Submitted**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Kathy Hughes RE: Green Bay Visitor and Convention  
Bureau Agreement

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE GREEN BAY VISITOR AND CONVENTION BUREAU AGREEMENT, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2. Terry Cornelius RE: Tower Foods - Continuation of  
Guaranty

**MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO APPROVE THE TOWER FOODS CONTINUATION OF GUARANTY, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. TRISH KING, BRIAN DOXTATOR, VINCE DELAROSA ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**D. ATTORNEY BRIEF**

**Oneida History Conference**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE PROFESSOR JAMES OBERLY TO SPEAK AT THE ONEIDA HISTORY CONFERENCE, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Elder Per Capita**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO DIRECT THE VICE CHAIR TO BRING BACK A FOLLOW-UP REPORT BACK IN ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. FOR: VINCE DELAROSA, CURTIS DANFORTH, JULIE BARTON. KATHY HUGHES ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**United Tribes Request**

**MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO SUPPORT THE UNITED TRIBE'S DRAFT LETTER, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Railroad right of way reclamation project**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO ACCEPT AS FYI, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY CURTIS DANFORTH TO ACCEPT THE ATTORNEY BRIEF, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**E. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS UPDATE**

**1. List of June Events Donations**

**Excerpt from June 4, 2003: MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO ACCEPT THE VERBAL REPORT AND THAT A FINAL WRITTEN REPORT BE BROUGHT BACK IN ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY MERCIE DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due June 11, 2003**

**HR 2143 Internet gaming bill**

**MOTION BY TRISH KING TO ACCEPT AS FYI, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Request to approve position paper hr 1839 on tobacco products**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO DIRECT THE CHAIR'S OFFICE TO FINALIZE THE DRAFT POSITION PAPER ON HR 1839 FOR HER SIGNATURE, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Cigarette tax position paper**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO DIRECT CHAIR'S OFFICE TO FINALIZE OPPOSITION TO THE CIGARETTE TAX REIMBURSEMENT RATE, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Anti tribal sentiment action from state legislature**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO ACCEPT THE INFORMATION REGARDING THE LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS OF THE STATE OF WISCONSIN AND DIRECT THE CHAIR TO SEND A FINALIZED LETTER REGARDING OUR CONCERNS TO THE JOINT FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**For the record, (item 6) strike paragraph 5.**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO ACCEPT THE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**F. NATIVE AMERICAN BANK CORPORATION REPORTS (QUARTERLY: JAN/APR/JULY/OCT)**

**Excerpt from June 4, 2003: MOTION BY MERCIE DANFORTH TO DIRECT THE CHAIR TO BRING BACK THE ACTUAL FINANCIALS, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due June 11, 2003**

**Response Submitted**

**MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO ACCEPT THE REPORT, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO AMEND THE MOTION TO DIRECT THE TREASURER TO PURSUE THE BREAKDOWN OF INVESTMENTS WITHIN THE TREASURER'S REPORT BEGINNING AUGUST 2003, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO AMEND THE MOTION THAT THE NATIVE AMERICAN BANK CORPORATION REPORTS BE DELETED FROM THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE AGENDA, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**G. AUDIT COMMITTEE**

1. **Audit Committee Meeting Minutes of May 8, 2003**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE MAY 8, 2003 AUDIT MINUTES, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

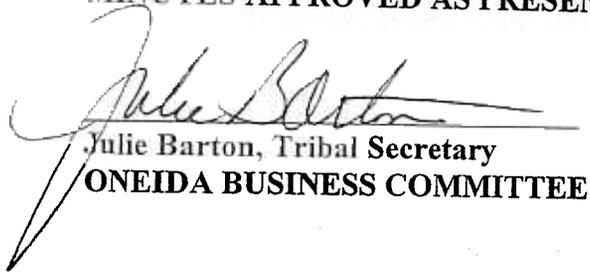
**H. LAND CLAIMS/NEW YORK PROJECT UPDATES (3:00 P.M. WEEKLY)**

**J. GAMING COMPACT NEGOTIATION UPDATES**

**XV. RECESS/ADJOURN**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO ADJOURN, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MINUTES APPROVED AS PRESENTED ON June 18, 2003 .**



**Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary**  
**ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE**