

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

BUSINESS COMMITTEE



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
SEPTEMBER 10, 2003
BUSINESS COMMITTEE CONFERENCE ROOM**

PRESENT: Tina Danforth - Chair, Kathy Hughes - Vice Chair, Mercie Danforth - Treasurer, Paul Ninham, Vince DelaRosa, Brian Doxtator, Trish King and Curtis Danforth - Council Members

EXCUSED: Julie Barton - Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT: Louise Cornelius, Brad Graham, Carolyn Miller, Charlene Cornelius, Karen Cornelius, Kitty Melchert, Racquel Hill, Wanda Diemel, Barb Dickson, Pearl McLester and Erv Thompson.

OPENING: Brian Doxtator

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

Special Presentation of Medals from the Oneida Nations Veteran's Office to Tina Danforth on behalf of her father, Joe Delgado.

II. OATH OF OFFICE - Administered by Trish King

Oneida Commission on Aging (ONCOA)

Lois Metoxen Strong-NOT PRESENT

Oneida Land Claims Commission

L. Gordon McLester-NOT PRESENT

Oneida Library Board

Charlene E. Cornelius-PRESENT

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A. ADDITIONS:

TO NEW BUSINESS, RESOLUTIONS:

2. Law Office RE: Emergency Resolution to Amend the
Oneida Personnel Policies and Procedures

TO NEW BUSINESS, TRAVEL REQUESTS:

- 3 Carl Artman RE: White House Initiatives on Tribal
Colleges and Universities, Washington, D.C.
- September 16-18, 2003

TO NEW BUSINESS, VACATION REQUESTS:

1. Mercie Danforth RE: September 22-28, 2003 and October 17-
21, 2003

B. DELETIONS:

FROM NEW BUSINESS, RESOLUTIONS:

- 1 Marsha Danforth RE: Tribal Wildlife Grant Program

MOTION BY PAUL NINHAM TO APPROVE THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

IV. MINUTES TO BE APPROVED:

Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of September 3, 2003

MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 3, 2003 MINUTES, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

V TABLED BUSINESS:

VI. REPORTS

J. TRAVEL REPORTS

1 Kathy Hughes/Trish King

RE: Ashland, WI - September 2-3, 2003

MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE TRAVEL REPORT AND THE TWO RECOMMENDATIONS TO: 1.)AUTHORIZE THE SELF-GOVERNANCE COORDINATOR TO NEGOTIATE THE LANGUAGE NEEDED TO AMEND THE AGREEMENT TO CARRY OUT THE DECISIONS MADE BETWEEN THE AREA MANAGER FOR THE BIA, THE SUPERINTENDENT, ASHLAND AGENCY AND ONEIDA; 2.) AGREE TO HOST A TRAINING SESSION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR LEVEL 1 ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS AND FORMALLY REQUEST TRAINERS FROM THE ASHLAND AGENCY, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. FOR: TRISH KING, VINCE DELAROSA, MERCIE DANFORTH, CURTIS DANFORTH. KATHY HUGHES ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

L. FOLLOW UP REPORTS/BC DIRECTIVES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTIONS

1 Marsha Danforth

RE: Tribal Wildlife Grant Program

DELETED

2. Law Office

RE: Emergency Resolution to Amend the Oneida Personnel Policies and Procedures

MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 9-10-03-A, EMERGENCY AMENDMENT TO THE ONEIDA PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. FOR: TRISH KING, VINCE DELAROSA, MERCIE DANFORTH, CURTIS DANFORTH. BRIAN DOXTATOR OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED.

For the record, Brian Doxtator opposed because he felt this should be at the GTC level and that the Business Committee doesn't have the authority to approve.

B. REQUESTS

C. TRAVEL REQUESTS

Tina Danforth

RE: Meeting with Senate Democrats,
Washington, D.C. - October 1-2, 2003

MOTION BY PAUL NINHAM TO APPROVE THE TRAVEL REQUEST, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Vince DelaRosa

RE: Chamber of Commerce Event, Green
Bay, WI - September 18, 2003

MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO ACCEPT THIS AS FYI, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Carl Artman

RE: White House Initiatives on Tribal
Colleges and Universities, Washington, D.C.
- September 16-18, 2003

MOTION BY CURTIS DANFORTH TO APPROVE THE TRAVEL REQUEST, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

D. VACATION REQUESTS

1. Mercie Danforth

RE: September 22-28, 2003 and October 17-
21, 2003

MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO APPROVE THE VACATION REQUEST, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VIII. FINANCE COMMITTEE

IX. LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE

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

Excerpt from August 27, 2003: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO DEFER THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Response due September 10, 2003

Response Submitted

MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE CHANGING THIS TO A QUARTERLY REPORT WITH MONTHLY REPORTS PROVIDED AT THE JOINT GENERAL MANAGER'S MEETINGS, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

XI. ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE PLANNING/CAUCUS

Tina Danforth excused from last portion of Executive Session.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. TABLED BUSINESS

B. OLD BUSINESS

1 Carl Artman

RE: Legal Opinion on the Business Committee's Role in the Enrollment Process for Ineligible applicants

Excerpt from August 27, 2003: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO REQUEST A LEGAL OPINION ON THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE'S ROLE ON THE INELIGIBLES, BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Response due September 10, 2003

MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Tina Danforth

RE: Transfer of the Observation Department

Excerpt from August 20, 2003: MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Excerpt from August 27, 2003: MOTION BY CURTIS DANFORTH TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Response due September 10, 2003

MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO REFER THIS ITEM TO THE JOINT BUSINESS COMMITTEE\ONEIDA GAMING COMMISSION MEETING UNDER EXECUTIVE SESSION PORTION OF THE AGENDA WITH THE GAMING GENERAL MANAGER AND GENERAL MANAGER TO BE PRESENT IN DISCUSSION OF THIS ITEM WITH THE GAMING COMMISSION, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. NEW BUSINESS

1 Tina Danforth

RE: Legislative Caucus

MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO ACCEPT AS FYI, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

D. ATTORNEY BRIEF

1 Representation of the Oneida Police Commission

MOTION BY PAUL TO DENY THE REQUEST FOR THE LAW OFFICE TO REPRESENT THE POLICE COMMISSION BUT APPROVE THE USE OF THE LAW OFFICE BUDGET TO OBTAIN LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE POLICE COMMISSION, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Letter of Support for Tule River Tribe re: GASB 34 Ruling

MOTION BY PAUL NINHAM TO APPROVE A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE TULE RIVER TRIBE REGARDING THE GASB 34 RULING, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Hobart v. Danforth, et.al
4. Jurisdiction and Authority of the Oneida Police Department
5. Admission to practice

MOTION BY TRISH KING TO ACCEPT ITEMS 3,4,5 AS FYI, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO ACCEPT THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2003 ATTORNEY BRIEF, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

E. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS UPDATE

MOTION BY PAUL NINHAM TO ACCEPT AS FYI, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

F. AUDIT COMMITTEE

- 1 Regular Audit Committee Meeting Minutes of July 24, 2003

MOTION BY PAUL NINHAM TO APPROVE THE JULY 24, 2003 AUDIT MINUTES, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO RECESS UNTIL 3:00 P.M., SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

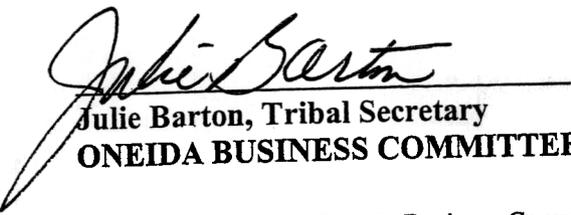
G. LAND CLAIMS/NEW YORK PROJECT UPDATES (3:00 P.M. WEEKLY)

MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO ACCEPT THE LAND CLAIMS UPDATE AS FYI, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

XV. RECESS/ADJOURN

MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO RECESS, SECONDED BY MERCIE DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MINUTES APPROVED AS PRESENTED ON September 17, 2003 .


Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE