



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 DECEMBER 3, 2003 BUSINESS COMMITTEE CONFERENCE ROOM**

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

**EXCUSED:** Paul Ninham and Curtis Danforth - Council Members

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Janice Hirth, Pearl McLester, Bradley Graham, Carol Silva, Gina Powless Buenrostro, Lori Elm, Kitty Melchert, Dottie Krull, Tim Carpenter, Racquel Hill, Brenda Skenandore and Wanda Diemel.

**OPENING:** Brian Doxtator

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

**II. OATH OF OFFICE- Brian Doxtator**

**Oneida Personnel Commission**  
Brenda L. Skenandore-PRESENT

**Anna John Nursing Home Commission**  
Carol Silva-PRESENT  
Pearl McLester-PRESENT

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**A. ADDITIONS:**

**B. DELETIONS:**

**MOTION BY MERCIE DANFORTH TO APPROVE THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**IV. MINUTES TO BE APPROVED:**

Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of November 25, 2003

**Page 8 of 10 change the number of approved enrollments from 87 to 88.**

**Page 6 of 10: add that Mercie Danforth arrived for Executive Session.**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE MINUTES WITH THE CORRECTIONS, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Special Business Committee Meeting Minutes of December 1, 2003

Correct recess to adjourn

**MOTION BY MERCIE DANFORTH TO APPROVE THE MINUTES WITH THE CORRECTION, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**V. TABLED BUSINESS:**

**VI. REPORTS**

**A. HOUSING AUTHORITY - 4th Wednesday of the Month - Linda Torres**

**Excerpt from November 25, 2003: MOTION BY PAUL NINHAM TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Response due December 3, 2003

**MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK,  
SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**J. TRAVEL REPORTS**

1. Paul Ninham RE: EPA Waste Wise Awards Ceremony,  
Washington, D.C. - October 16-17, 2003

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE TRAVEL REPORT,  
SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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

- Tina Danforth RE: Plan to Increase MAST participation by  
other Tribes (from Curtis Danforth's Travel  
Report of August 13, 2003)

**Excerpt from August 13, 2003: MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE  
TRAVEL REPORT AND THAT RECOMMENDATION NUMBER 1 BE SENT TO THE  
CHAIRS OFFICE WITH AN UPDATE BACK IN 90 DAYS AND THAT  
RECOMMENDATION 2 BE SENT TO CURTIS DANFORTH WITH AN UPDATE  
BACK IN 90 DAYS, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due December 3, 2003**

**Response Submitted**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE FOLLOW-UP AND ONEIDA  
HOSTING THE WINTER MAST MEETING, AND DIRECT THE CHAIR TO WORK  
WITH THE TREASURER'S OFFICE REGARDING COST FOR THIS MEETING,  
SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2. Curtis Danforth RE: Strategic Plan on how to keep a more  
regular presence on Capitol Hill

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TRAVEL REPORT AND THAT RECOMMENDATION NUMBER 1 BE SENT TO THE  
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RECOMMENDATION 2 BE SENT TO CURTIS DANFORTH WITH AN UPDATE  
BACK IN 90 DAYS, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED**

**UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due December 3, 2003**

**Response Submitted**

**MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR FOUR WEEKS, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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RE: Environmental Resource Board  
Amended By-Laws

**Excerpt from November 12, 2003: MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR THREE WEEKS, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due December 3, 2003**

**Response Submitted**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO TABLE THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. RESOLUTIONS**

**B. REQUESTS**

1      Abbey Danforth

RE: Approval for Bob Brown to perform  
marriage ceremony on December 23, 2003  
between Abbey Danforth and Jeremy  
Romans

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE BOB BROWN TO PERFORM THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY ON DECEMBER 23, 2003 BETWEEN ABBEY DANFORTH AND JEREMY ROMANS, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2 Trish King

RE: Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation By-Laws

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO TABLE THIS ITEM FOR THE STRIKE OUT VERSION OF THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES FOR THE ONEIDA AIRPORT HOTEL CORPORATION BYLAWS, BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Vince DelaRosa

RE: Forest County Potawatomi Response Letter

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO TABLE THIS ITEM UNTIL VINCE DELAROSA IS PRESENT, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO TAKE THIS ITEM FROM THE TABLE, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI RESPONSE LETTER AND DIRECT THE CHAIR TO ESTABLISH AN AGENDA AND MEETING TIME WITH WISCONSIN TRIBAL LEADERS REGARDING GAMING LAW SUITS AND OTHER ITEMS IE. GAMING ISSUES OF THE POLL AND ELECTIONS, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C. TRAVEL REQUESTS**

**D. VACATION REQUESTS**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**IX. LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE**

**X. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS UPDATE**

**TREASURERS REPORT- Mercie Danforth**

**ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE PLANNING/CAUCUS**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO RECESS FOR TEN MINUTES, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A. TABLED BUSINESS**

- 1 Janice Hirth/Bill Gollnick (Attorney Update) RE: Unemployment benefits for YES Advocates

**Excerpt from November 5, 2003: MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO TABLE THIS ITEM FOR A REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION FROM MANAGEMENT, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. FOR: TRISH KING, PAUL NINHAM, VINCE DELAROSA, MERCIE DANFORTH, JULIE BARTON. BRIAN DOXTATOR OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Excerpt from November 12, 2003: REMAINS ON THE TABLE**

**Excerpt from November 25, 2003: REMAINS ON THE TABLE**

**Response due December 3, 2003**

**MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO TAKE THIS ITEM FROM THE TABLE, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE YES UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS INFORMATION AS FYI AND DIRECT THE ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER TO COOPERATE EFFORTS WITH THE LAW OFFICE AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS IN REGARDS TO A RECOMMENDATION REPORT PER THE YES UNEMPLOYMENT MEMO OF DECEMBER 1, 2003, BACK IN 30 DAYS SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- 2 Tina Danforth RE: World Gaming Expenses

**Excerpt from November 12, 2003: MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO TABLE THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from November 25, 2003: REMAINS ON THE TABLE**

**Response due December 3, 2003**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO TAKE THIS ITEM FROM THE TABLE, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE UNFORESEEN TRAVEL EXPENSES OF THE GAMING GENERAL MANAGER CONTINGENT UPON SUBMISSION OF JUSTIFICATION FOR ROOM UPGRADE COST, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. FOR: MERCIE DANFORTH, JULIE BARTON. TRISH KING ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

3. Kevin Cornelius/Tana Archiquette RE: Federal and State Spending Plan

**Excerpt from November 12, 2003: MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO TABLE THIS ITEM, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from November 25, 2003: REMAINS ON THE TABLE**

**Response due December 3, 2003**

**REMAINS ON THE TABLE**

**B. OLD BUSINESS**

Julie Barton/Kathy Hughes/Curtis Danforth RE: Roles and Responsibilities for Business Committee Standing Meetings

**Excerpt from November 12, 2003: MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO REFER THIS ITEM BACK TO THE JOINT GENERAL MANAGER'S AGENDA AND DIRECT THE SECRETARY, VICE CHAIR AND CURTIS DANFORTH TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS, BACK IN THREE WEEKS, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. FOR: TRISH KING, MERCIE DANFORTH, PAUL NINHAM. CURTIS DANFORTH OPPOSED. JULIE BARTON ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Response due December 3, 2003**

**MOTION BY TRISH KING TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR 30 DAYS, SECONDED BY MERCIE DANFORTH. FOR: BRIAN DOXTATOR. JULIE BARTON, KATHY HUGHES ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**C. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Janice Hirth RE: Marriott Residence Inn - Capitol Project Update

**MOTION BY TRISH KING TO APPROVE THE MARRIOTT RESIDENCE INN UPDATE, SECONDED BY MERCIE DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY..**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO AMEND THE MOTION TO DIRECT THE ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER TO SUBMIT A STATUS UPDATE TO THE KALIHWISAKS, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY..**

2. Bob Christjohn RE: Airadigm Update

**MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO REFER THIS ITEM TO THE TREASURER'S OFFICE FOR IDENTIFICATION OF FUNDS TO CARRY OUT THE TRANSACTION FOR ACQUISITION OF WISCONSIN WIRELESS STOCK FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONTROLLING INTEREST IN AIRADIGM, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY TRISH KING TO DIRECT CHIEF COUNSEL AND THE CFO TO WORK WITH OEDA TO NEGOTIATE OPTIONS WITH ERICKSON, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**D. ATTORNEY BRIEF**

1. National Indian Gaming Commission Consultation Policy

**MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO DIRECT THE LAW OFFICE TO DEVELOP A RESPONSE TO THE NIGC STATING OUR OPPOSITION TO THE POLICY, BACK IN ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY MERCIE DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2. Cornelius and Hill v. Election Board

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO ACCEPT AS FYI, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. Panzer v. Doyle Amicus Curiae - GBACC/WCA

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

4. Panzer v. Doyle, State Response Brief

**MOTION BY TRISH KING TO ACCEPT AS FYI, SECONDED BY BRIAN**

**DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. Monthly Contract Summary

**MOTION BY MERCIE DANFORTH TO ACCEPT AS FYI, SECONDED BY BRIAN DOXTATOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6. OGMICR

**MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO DIRECT THE LAW OFFICE TO RESPOND TO THE STATE ON THE OGMICR, SECONDED BY MERCIE DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

7. Legal opinion on releasing information regarding Per Capita

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE RELEASING THE CONSOLIDATED OPINION ON THE PER CAPITA, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO APPROVE THE ATTORNEY BRIEF, SECONDED BY TRISH KING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**E. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS UPDATE**

1. Lawsuit Operational Plan

**Excerpt from November 25, 2003: MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO TABLE THIS ITEM, SECONDED BY CURTIS DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due December 3, 2003**

**MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO APPROVE THE LAWSUIT OPERATIONAL PLAN, SECONDED BY MERCIE DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

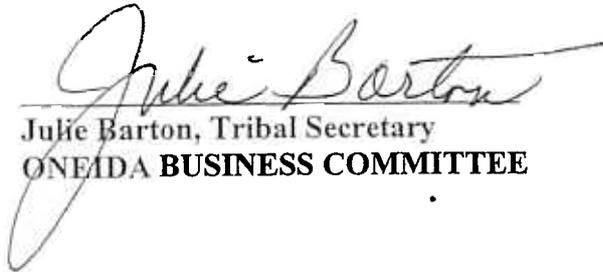
**F. AUDIT COMMITTEE**

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

**XIV. RECESS/ADJOURN**

**MOTION BY BRIAN DOXTATOR TO ADJOURN, SECONDED BY TRISH KING.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MINUTES APPROVED AS CORRECTED ON December 10, 2003.**



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