

# **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**

### **JANUARY 26, 2005**

**Business Committee Conference Room**

**Present:** Kathy Hughes - Vice Chair  
Mercie Danforth - Treasurer  
Julie Barton - Secretary  
Trish King - Council member  
Paul Ninham - Council member  
Vince DelaRosa - Council member  
Curtis Danforth - Council member  
Brian Doxtator - Council member

**Excused:** Tina Danforth - Chair

**Others Present:** Corina Williams, Janet Danforth, Nathan King, Loretta V. Metoxen, Gina Powless, Dottie Krull, Tina Pospychala, Frank Ness, Warren Skenadore, Lori Elm, Linda Glaser, Sharon A. Mousseau, Laura Manthe, Jeff Mears, Lois Strong, Peril Huff, Louise Cornelius, Linda Delgado Barajas, Marsha Danforth, Jennifer Hill Kelley, John Bauman, Fern Birdsbill and Donna Christensen

**Opening Prayer:** Brian Doxtator

**Special Recognitions:** None

**1. Call to Order by Kathy Hughes at 9:00 a.m.**

2. **Oath of Office - Administered by Curtis Danforth**

**Oneida Child Care Parent Advisory Committee**

Jennifer Hill-Kelley-PRESENT

**Oneida Nation Veterans Affair Committee**

Loretta V. Metoxen-PRESENT

**Oneida Enterprise Development Authority (OEDA)**

Joan Buckley - Administered on January 14, 2005 by Julie Barton  
Gene Keluche - Administered on January 14, 2005 by Julie Barton  
Scott Dacey - Administered on January 14, 2005 by Julie Barton

**Miss Oneida Committee**

Linda Delgado-Barajas-PRESENT

**Oneida Arts Board**

Linda Delgado- Barajas-PRESENT

**Oneida Cemetery Board**

Janet Danforth - PRESENT

**Oneida Housing Authority Board**

Shannon King-PRESENT  
Kathleen Stevens - NOT PRESENT

**Oneida Land Commission**

Nathaniel S. King-PRESENT

**Oneida Seven Generations Corporation Board**

Jennifer Hill-Kelley-PRESENT  
Brenda Mendolla-Buckley - NOT PRESENT

3. **Approval of the Agenda**

**a. Additions**

**b. Deletions**

**c. Moves**

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the agenda with an add-on by LOC, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

**4. Minutes to be Approved:**

Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of January 12, 2005

**Action:** Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the January 12, 2005 minutes, seconded by Curtis Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

**5. Tabled Business:**

Oneida Police Commission (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct)  
David Webster - 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Month

**Excerpt from January 12, 2005:** Motion by Paul Ninham to table this item, seconded by Curtis Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

**Remains on the table**

2 John Bauman (Julie Barton, Sponsor) RE: New Administration Building

**Excerpt from January 12, 2005:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to table this item for two weeks for review of John Bauman's January 7, 2005 memo, seconded by Mercie Danforth. For: Paul Ninham, Trish King, Vince DelaRosa, Curtis Danforth. Julie Barton opposed. Motion carried.

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to take this item from the table, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the recommendation that the Oneida Business Park be the site selection for the Administration building from John Bauman, Project Manager dated January 7, 2005. Further move to request the General Manager provide a ten year impact study in regards to traffic, security, other construction projects, to the February 2005 Business Committee Planning meeting in conjunction with the back fill study, seconded by Trish King. For: Mercie Danforth, Curtis Danforth. Julie Barton, Vince DelaRosa opposed. Motion carried.

**6. Reports:**

a. Oneida Tribal School Board (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct)  
Debbie Danforth - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Month

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to defer this item to the February 9, 2005 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Julie Barton. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Oneida Housing Authority (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct)  
Linda Torres - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Month

**Report Submitted**

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the Oneida Housing Authority quarterly report of October/December 2004, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

- c. Oneida Nation Commission on Aging (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct)  
Dellora Cornelius - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Month

**Report Submitted**

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the Oneida Nation Commission on Aging quarterly report of January 2005, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

- d. Oneida Land Commission (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct)  
Jeff Mears - 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Month

**Excerpt from January 12, 2005:** Motion by Trish King to defer this item for two weeks, seconded by Paul Ninham. For: Vince DelaRosa, Mercie Danforth, Curtis Danforth, Julie Barton. Brian Doxtator opposed. Motion carried.

**Report Submitted**

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the Oneida Land Commission quarterly report of October/December 2004, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

- e. Oneida Seven Generations Corporation (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct)  
John Kroner - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Month

**Report Submitted**

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the Oneida Seven Generations Corporation quarterly report, seconded by Curtis Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

- 7. **Travel Reports - None**
- 8. **Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings - None**
- 9. **New Business**

- a. **Resolutions**

Mercie Danforth

RE: Higher Education Scholarship Program and the Self-Governance Reserve Account

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to adopt resolution 1-26-05-A for the Higher Education Scholarship Program and the Self-Governance Reserve Account directing that \$1 million from the self-governance reserve account be directed to the higher education scholarship program, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

- 2. Marsha Danforth (Julie Barton, Sponsor)

RE: Title VI Grants for Native Americans, Part A & C - Elderly Services

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to adopt resolution 1-26-05-B for the Title VI Grant for Native Americans, part A&C - Elderly Services. Part A up to \$179,810.00, and Part C up to \$67,990.00 seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

- 3. Mike Finn (Julie Barton, Sponsor)

RE: 2005 Road Construction Control Schedule/Oneida Nation - IRR Road System

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to adopt resolution 1-26-05-C for the 2005 Road Construction Control Schedule/Oneida Nation - IRR Road System, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. **Requests**

Julie Barton

RE: Oneida Environmental Resource Board recommendations

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the recommendation of

Secretary Barton's memo dated January 18, 2005 for the appointments of Richard Baird, Nicole Moran and Ken Webster to the Oneida Environmental Resource Board, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

**c. Travel Requests**

1 Trish King

RE: 2005 National Reservation  
Economic Summit and American  
Indian Business Trade Fair

**Action:** Motion by Julie Barton to approve the travel request, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Brian Doxtator, Mercie Danforth, Curtis Danforth. Trish King abstained. Motion carried.

2 Tina Danforth

RE: Council of Great Lakes  
Governors Water Management  
Working Group

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the travel request, seconded by Julie Barton. Motion carried unanimously.

3 Carl Artman

RE: NCAI Executive Council Winter  
Session

**Action:** Motion by Trish King to approve the travel request, seconded by Curtis Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Debra Danforth ( Brian Doxtator, Sponsor) RE: AISES Science Fair- Procedural  
Exception

**Action:** Motion by Julie Barton to approve the procedural exception travel request for six student and three adults, seconded by Brian Doxtator. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Carl Artman (Julie Barton, Sponsor)

RE: White House Initiative on Tribal  
Colleges and Universities

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the travel request, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Mercie Danforth, Curtis Danforth, Julie Barton.

Trish King abstained. Motion carried.

6. Carl Artman (Julie Barton, Sponsor) RE: Protecting Our Homeland Conference

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to delete this item from the agenda, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

**10. Finance Committee - None**

**11. Legislative Operating Committee ( LOC)**

Election Law Amendments

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the recommended amendments to the Election Law and direct the LRO to work with the secretary's office in a timely manner to distribute the information to the membership, seconded by Trish King. For: Curtis Danforth. Vince DelaRosa, Mercie Danforth, Julie Barton opposed. **Tied.** Chair voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

**12. Legislative Affairs Update - None**

**13. Treasurer's Report - None**

**14. Oneida Business Committee Planning**

Business Committee Planning meeting minutes of January 11, 2005

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the January 11, 2005 Planning Minutes, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

**15. Joint General Managers Meeting**

**Paul Ninham arrived for Executive Session**

**16. Executive Session**

**a. Tabled Business - None**

**b. Old Business-None**

**c. New Business**

- 1 Don Denny (Julie Barton, Sponsor) RE: Phillip Morris USA Contract

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the Phillip Morris USA Contract with a note that there is a limited waiver of sovereign immunity, seconded Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

**d. Attorney Brief**

City of Sherrill v. Oneida Nation Tribal Supreme Court Project summary - FYI

2. Oneida Seven Generations Corporation Board of Directors Conflict of Interest - FYI
3. Contract Compliance - FYI
4. Law Office Summer Interns - FYI

**Action:** Motion by Mercie Danforth to accept items 1-4 as FYI, seconded by Curtis Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

**e. Legislative Affairs Update**

Conduit Update

2. Sanger Powers Correctional Facility

**Action:** Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer these items to the February 9, 2005 Business Committee Meeting, seconded by Brian Doxtator. Motion carried unanimously.

**f. Audit Committee**

- 1 Fiscal Year 2004 Annual Audits

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the 2004 Annual Independent Audits, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

g. **Land Claims/New York Project Update ( 3:00 p.m.)**

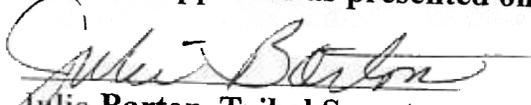
1. Land Claims Travel

**Motion :** Motion by Brian Doxtator to request the Vice Chair to request a meeting between the Business Committee and the Chair's office, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Recess/Adjourn

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to adjourn, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

**Minutes Approved as presented on February 9, 2005**

  
Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary

**ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE**