

# 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 FEBRUARY 23, 2005 Business Committee Conference Room

**Present:** Tina Danforth - Chair  
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:**

**Others Present:** Corina Williams, Richard Baird, Bill Menacher, Dottie Krull, Lori Elm, Brenda Buckley, Nicole Moran, Pat Lassila, Jim Van Stippen, Tonya Webster, Peril Huff, Laura Manthe, Patricia Cornelius, Susan White, Erv Thompson, Wayne Metoxen, Dionne Jacobs, Leyne Orosco, Frieda Clary and Michele Peterson

**Opening Prayer:** Rhiannon Boyd

**Special Recognitions:**

1. Call to Order by Tina Danforth at 9:00 a.m.
2. Oath of Office - Paul Ninham

**Oneida Environmental Resource Board**

Richard W. Baird-PRESENT  
Nicole Moran - PRESENT

Kenneth Webster-NOT PRESENT

**Oneida Pow Wow Committee**

Tonya Webster - PRESENT

**Oneida Seven Generations Corporation Board**

Brenda Mendolla-Buckley - PRESENT

**Oneida Cemetery Board**

Linda Delgado-Barajas-NOT PRESENT

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

**a. Additions**

**To Travel Reports:**

1. Tina Danforth/Paul Ninham/Kevin Cornelius RE: President Bush  
Inaugural, Washington, D.C.  
- January 18-21, 2005

**To New Business, Resolutions:**

5. Trish King RE: National Congress of  
American Indians (NCAI)  
Delegate

**To New Business, Requests:**

7. Bill Gollnick RE: Recommend Bruce  
Danforth to the Advisory  
Board of the Tribal Technical  
Assistance Program (TTAP)  
and Mike Finn as the  
alternate
8. Julie Barton RE: Cancellation of the  
Business Committee meeting  
of March 9, 2005
9. Tina Danforth RE: Approval of Letter to  
Tribes Nationwide

10. Leyne Orosco

RE: General Election Caucus - April  
2, 2005

**b. Deletions**

**From Executive Session, New Business:**

2. Louise Cornelius (Paul Ninham, Sponsor)

RE: 1) Memorandum of  
Understanding Internal  
Security Department and 2)  
Memorandum of  
Understanding Investigations  
Department

**c. Moves**

**From New Business, Requests to the Joint General Managers Meeting:**

John Bauman (Julie Barton, Sponsor)

RE: Division of Land Management Housing  
Development sites - CIP Project #23-005

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the agenda with the additions,  
seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

**4. Minutes to be Approved:**

Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of February 9, 2005

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the February 9, 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, January 26<sup>th</sup>, February 9, 2005: Tabled.  
Report Submitted**

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

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the February 14, 2005 Police Commission quarterly report, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

For the record, Brian Doxtator stated no one from the Police Commission was present.

**6. Reports:**

1. Oneida Hotel Corporation (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov)  
Pat Lassila - 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the month

**Excerpt from February 9, 2005:** Motion by Paul Ninham to approve a two week extension per the memo of January 24, 2005, seconded by Brian Doxtator. Motion carried unanimously.

**Report Submitted**

**Action:** Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the Oneida Hotel Corporation quarterly report, seconded by Brian Doxtator. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Bay Bank (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov)  
Bill Menacher - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Month

**Report Submitted**

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the February 23, 2005 Bay Bank quarterly report, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

- c. Oneida Nation Electronics (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov)  
Jeff House - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Month

**Report Submitted**

**Action:** Motion by Julie Barton to accept the O.N.E quarterly report, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the posting of two vacancies for O.N.E., seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Paul Ninham, Mercie Danforth, Curtis Danforth, Julie Barton. Trish King abstained. Motion carried.

- d. Environmental Resource Board (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov)  
Richard Baird - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Month

**Report Submitted**

**Action:** Motion by Julie Barton to accept the Environmental Resource Board quarterly report, seconded by Brian Doxtator. Motion carried unanimously.

- e. Oneida Personnel Commission (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov)  
Fern Birdsbill - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Month

**Report Submitted**

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to accept the February 2005 Personnel Commission quarterly report, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

**7 Travel Reports**

- 1 Tina Danforth/Paul Ninham/Kevin Cornelius RE: President Bush  
Inauguration, Washington,  
D.C. - January 18-21, 2005

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to accept the travel report, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

**8. Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings - None**

**9. New Business**

**A. Resolutions**

- 1 Curtis Danforth RE: National Indian Gaming  
Association (NIGA) Delegate and  
the endorsement of Ernie Stevens, Jr.

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to adopt resolution 2-23-05-A, seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Paul Ninham, Trish King, Vince DelaRosa, Mercie Danforth, Julie Barton. Curtis Danforth abstained. Motion carried.

2 Curtis Danforth RE: Appointment of Representatives to the National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA)

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to adopt resolution 2-23-05-B, seconded by Brian Doxtator. For: Paul Ninham, Trish King, Vince DelaRosa, Mercie Danforth, Julie Barton. Curtis Danforth abstained. Motion carried.

3 Frieda Clary (Julie Barton, Sponsor) RE: Inter-Tribal Bison Cooperative Grant FY06/Tribal Bison Herd Development/Oneida Nation Farms & Agricultural Center

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to adopt resolution 2-23-05-C, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

4 Mike Metoxen ( Julie Barton, Sponsor) RE: 2005 Fireworks Display for Family Carnival

**Action:** Motion by Curtis Danforth to adopt resolution 2-23-05-D, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Trish King RE: National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Delegate

**Action:** Motion by Julie Barton to adopt resolution 2-23-05-E, seconded by Brian Doxtator. For: Paul Ninham, Trish King, Vince DelaRosa, Mercie Danforth, Curtis Danforth. Kathy Hughes abstained. Motion carried.

## **B. Requests**

John Bauman (Julie Barton, Sponsor) RE: Division of Land Management Housing Development sites - CIP Project #23-005

### **Moved to the Joint General Managers Meeting**

2. Troy Parr (Julie Barton, Sponsor) RE: Approval and activation of funds for the Social Services Building Remodeling Phase IV - CIP Project #04-005

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to table this item until the March 23, 2005 Business Committee meeting for a revised project cost estimate, seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Paul Ninham, Trish King, Vince DelaRosa, Mercie Danforth, Curtis Danforth. Julie Barton abstained. Motion carried.

3. Wayne Metoxen (Julie Barton, Sponsor) RE: Approval and activation of funds for the Packerland One Stop - CIP Project #04-009

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the Packerland One Stop CIP Project #04-009 for the activation of \$450,000.00, and to assign the assistant general manager to develop and implement a communication plan on all CIP 2005 projects approved this year, back in sixty days at the April Business Committee Planning meeting, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Paul Ninham, Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Mercie Danforth, Curtis Danforth. Julie Barton opposed. Motion carried.

4. Wayne Metoxen (Julie Barton, Sponsor) RE: Approval and activation of funds for the Waste Water Treatment Facility - CIP Project #21-009

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve activation of \$5 million for the Waste Water Treatment Facility CIP Project #21-009, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Susan White (Julie Barton, Sponsor) RE: Revised Per Capita Trust Agreement

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the amendment to the Per Capita Trust Agreement regarding minors, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Julie Barton RE: Post two (2) vacancies on the Oneida Child Protective Board

**Action:** Motion by Trish King to approve the posting of two vacancies for the Oneida Child Protective Board, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Bill Gollnick RE: Recommend Bruce Danforth to the Advisory Board of the Tribal Technical Assistance Program

(TTAP) with Mike Finn as the alternate

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the appointment of Bruce Danforth as the delegate and Mike Finn as the alternate of TTAP, seconded by Brian Doxtator. For: Paul Ninham, Trish King, Vince DelaRosa, Curtis Danforth, Julie Barton. Mercie Danforth abstained. Motion carried.

8 Julie Barton RE: Cancellation of the Business Committee meeting of March 9, 2005

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to accept the recommendation from Secretary Barton's memo dated February 21, 2005 of Option 2 that all agenda items be forwarded to the March 23, 2005, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Paul Ninham, Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Curtis Danforth. Mercie Danforth opposed. Julie Barton abstained. Motion carried.

9. Tina Danforth RE: Approval of Letter to Tribes Nationwide

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve distribution of this letter to Tribal Leaders regarding United South and Eastern Tribes (USET) and Land Claims, seconded by Julie Barton. Motion carried unanimously.

10 Leyne Orosco RE: General Election Caucus - April 2, 2005

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the General Election Caucus date of Saturday, April 2, 2005, 10:00 a.m. for the Oneida Business Committee: Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, five council members; Oneida Gaming Commission: 5 vacancies; Oneida Land Claims Commission: 1 vacancies; Trust Committee: 2 vacancies GTC members and 1 vacancies for BC member; ONCOA: 3 vacancies; Tribal School Board: 2 vacancies, 2 parent positions, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

### C. Travel Requests

Mercie Danforth RE: 2005 Midwest Budget Consultation Session

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the travel request for Mercie Danforth, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Neil Cornelius RE: National Indian Gaming Association's Trade Show, April 2005 ( **Procedural Exception**)

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the procedural exception for the following 27 people to attend NIGA: Business Committee- 4, Legislative Affairs - 1, Communications - 2, Administration - 1, Gaming Commission/staff - 3, Surveillance - 4, Gaming - 12, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Paul Ninham, Trish King, Curtis Danforth, Julie Barton. Brian Doxtator, Mercie Danforth opposed. Motion carried.

For the record, Brian Doxtator opposed 27 people traveling.

3. Kathy Hughes RE: FY07 Budget Formulation Meeting (**Retro Approval**)

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

4. Kathy Hughes RE: 2005 Tribal Self-Governance Spring Conference

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

5. Kevin Cornelius/Brian Doxtator RE: Lobbying on Housing Issues

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the travel request, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

**D. Finance Committee - None**

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

1. For Approval RE: Pow Wow Committee Bylaws

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve the Pow Wow Committee Bylaws, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

2. For Approval RE: Oneida Burial Ordinance Amendments

3. For Approval RE: Cemetery Board Bylaws Amendments

4. For Approval RE: Public Hearing notice of April 19, 2005 for Amendments to the Oneida Burial Ordinance

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to (2) adopt emergency resolution 2-23-05-F, for Chapter 75 for the Oneida Burial Ordinance amendments; (3) Approve amendments to the Cemetery Board Bylaws and further direct the General Manager/Assistant General Manager to have the organization follow-up with any required policies and procedures needed to implement this law and (4) Approve the public hearing date of April 19, 2005, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

5 For Approval RE: Endowment Law

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to adopt Resolution 2-23-05-G for the Endowment Law, seconded by Brian Doxtator. Motion carried unanimously.

6. For Approval Law Enforcement Ordinance Emergency Amendment

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to table this item until March 23, 2005, seconded by Mercie Danforth. For: Julie Barton, Vince DelaRosa. Brian Doxtator, Trish King, Curtis Danforth, Paul Ninham. Tie, chair voted in favor of tabling. Motion carried.

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

**G. Oneida Business Committee Planning**

Business Committee Planning meeting minutes of February 8, 2005

**Action:** Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the Business Committee Planning minutes of February 8, 2005, seconded by Brian Doxtator. Motion carried unanimously.

For the record, Brian Doxtator stated that this approves a Standard Operating Procedure for Business Committee Travel.

## **H. Joint General Managers Meeting**

Joint General Manager meeting minutes of February 10, 2005

**Action:** Motion by Curtis Danforth to approve the Joint GM minutes of February 10, 2005, seconded by Brian Doxtator. Motion carried unanimously.

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to go into Executive Session, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

## **I. Executive Session**

### **A. Tabled Business**

### **B. Old Business**

1 Carl Artman RE: Real Property Taxation of DREAM Homes

**Excerpt from February 9, 2005:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to approve: (Item 1) a two week deferral for to February 23, 2005, seconded by Curtis Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Response due February 23, 2005**

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to accept the analysis and opinion from the Law office dated January 25, 2005 and note the refund action stayed on July 25, 2001, action item 2 will be denied based on the January 25, 2005 opinion and payment will continue to be made by the tribe for real property tax assessed through December 31, 2005; direct management to review the individual homeowner Dream Home loan mortgage documents for commonality of language; that liaison will schedule a meeting between the Land Commission and Business Committee, seconded by Julie Barton. For: Paul Ninham Vince DelaRosa, Mercie Danforth, Trish King. Brian Doxtator, Curtis Danforth opposed. Motion carried.

### **C. New Business**

1 Michele Peterson (Julie Barton, Sponsor) RE: US Oil Contract

**Action:** Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the US Oil Contract, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Louise Cornelius (Paul Ninham, Sponsor) RE: 1) Memorandum of Understanding Internal Security Department and 2) Memorandum of Understanding Investigations Department

**Deleted**

3. Cheryl Skolaski (Julie Barton, Sponsor) RE: 66 new enrollments

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve 64 new enrollments with the tabling of Janine O'Clair and Eric Denny for further information, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

**D. Audit Committee - None**

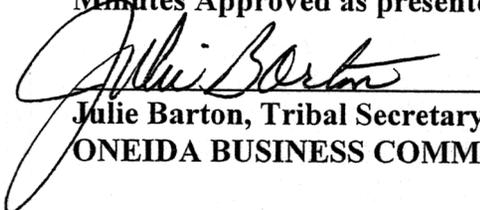
**E. Land Claims/New York Project Update ( 3:00 p.m.)**

**F. Oneida Enterprise Development Authority - (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct) Francis Skenandore - 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Month**

**Recess/Adjourn**

**Action:** Motion by Brian Doxtator to adjourn, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes Approved as presented on March 23, 2005

  
Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary

**ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE**