



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 NOVEMBER 23, 2005

Business Committee Conference Room

<b>Present:</b>	Gerald Danforth - Chair	Trish King - Council member
	Kathy Hughes - Vice Chair	Paul Ninham - Council member
	Mercie Danforth - Treasurer	Vince DelaRosa - Council member
	Patty Hoefft - Secretary	Melinda J. Danforth - Council member
		Edward Delgado - Council member

**Excused:**

**Others Present:** Jeff Carlson, Bill Menacher, Barb Dickson, Julie Denny, Jeanette Ninham, Carol Silva, Lori Elm, Gina Powless Buenrostro, Brenda Skenandore, Marsha Danforth, Jennifer Hill-Kelley, Louise Cornelius, Leyne Orosco, Peril Huff, Kitty Melchert and Jim Martin

**Opening Prayer:** Paul Ninham

**Special Recognitions:** Recognition of Carole Liggins for Excellent in Action program by Kathy Hughes

1. Call to Order by Gerald Danforth
2. Oath of Office

**Oneida Commission On Aging** - Administered by Patty Hoefft  
Valdor John - Present

**3 Approval of the Agenda**

- a. Additions-None
- b. Deletions - None
- c. Moves - None

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

**4. Minutes to be Approved:**

Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of November 9, 2005

**Action:** Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the minutes of November 9, 2005 with noted changes, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Mercie Danforth abstained. For: Ed Delgado, Kathy Hughes, Vince DelaRosa, Melinda J. Danforth and Trish King. Motion carried.

Corrections: Page 7 of 11, item 3 note for the record that Trish King opposition to the procedural exception for Business Committee staff until a budget or internal policies were amended.

Corrections: Page 10 of 11, on the action: where it states item 8 add "in regards to" and instead of stating "tribal revenue plan allocation" replace with "tribal revenue allocation plan"

**5. Tabled Business - None**

**6. Reports:**

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

**Report Submitted**

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the Bay Bank quarterly report, but not approving the follow up request that the Business Committee approve that the funds for the additional approved \$200,000.00 Oneida Small Grant be taken from the Oneida Small Business Loan Program 2000 account as opposed to the State of Wisconsin Legislative Award account, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

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

**No Report Submitted**

**Not addressed**

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

**Report Submitted**

**Action:** Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item to the next Business Committee meeting, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

- d. Oneida Personnel Commission (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov)  
Brenda Skenandore - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Month

**Report Submitted**

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the Oneida Personnel Commission quarterly report, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

**Travel Reports**

Kathy Hughes

RE: Congressional Hearing and  
Representative Obey Reception - November  
2, 2005

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the travel report, seconded by Ed Delgado. Kathy Hughes abstained. For: Patty Hoeft, Mercie Danforth, Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Paul Ninham. Motion carried.

**8. Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings**

LOC (Patty Hoeft)

RE: Oneida Child Protective Board  
Recommendation

**Excerpt from the Business Committee Meeting of November 9, 2005:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to defer this item to the LOC for review, back in two weeks, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

**Response due November 23, 2005**

**Action:** Motion by Ed Delgado to adopt resolution 11-23-05-A, appointing Shirley Barber to the Oneida Child Protective Board, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Trish King

RE: Oneida Small Business 2000 Grant Program

**Excerpt from the Business Committee Meeting of November 9, 2005:** Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item to the next Business Committee meeting with Trish King bringing back a report with options, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

**Response due November 23, 2005**

**Response Submitted**

**Action:** Motion by Trish King to approve rescinding the motion of October 12, 2005 and utilize \$200,000 of the Oneida Small Business Program funds, revolving loan funds for grant purposes according to the original grant program, including another criteria that these funds are available only to new recipients (persons who did not receive funds from the Oneida Small Business Grant Program in 2005), seconded by Kathy Hughes. Vince DelaRosa abstained. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Mercie Danforth, Melinda J. Danforth, Paul Ninham. Motion carried.

**Action:** Motion by Mercie Danforth to request Councilwoman Trish King to re-evaluate the Oneida Small Business Grant Program with a report back at the next Business Committee planning meeting, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Vince DelaRosa, Ed Delgado abstained. For: Paul Ninham, Melinda J. Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King. Motion carried.

9. **New Business**

a. **Resolutions**

1 Lloyd Powless RE: Allowing the Non-Indian Spouses of Indians Eligible for Health Care Services at the Oneida Community Health Center to receive Health Care Services

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to adopt resolution 11-23-05-B, allowing the Non-Indian Spouses of Indians Eligible for Health Care Services at the Oneida Community Health Center to receive Health Care Services, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Marsha Danforth RE: CY2006 County Tribal Law Enforcement Grant - Brown County - up to \$27,300.00

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to defer items 2 and 3 until the end of the agenda so the Chief of Staff, General Manager, the Grants office can bring back two new resolutions for adoption, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to adopt resolution 11-23-05-C for CY2006 County Tribal Law Enforcement Grant - Brown County up to \$27,300.00, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Trish King abstained. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Mercie Danforth, Melinda J. Danforth, Paul Ninham. Motion carried.

3 Marsha Danforth RE: CY2006 County Tribal Law Enforcement Grant- Outagamie County - up to \$25,997.00

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to adopt resolution 11-23-05-D for CY2006 County Tribal Law Enforcement Grant- Outagamie County - up to \$25,997.00, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

**b. Requests**

1 Patty Hoeft RE: Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation Board Recommendations

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to defer the recommendation from the Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation Board until they provide the Business



2-4, 2005

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

**10. Finance Committee - None**

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

1 For Consideration: RE: LOC Minutes of October 24, 2005.

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the minutes of October 24, 2005, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

2. For Consideration: RE: Public Hearing on January 10, 2006 for Amendments to the Real Property Law and Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance (Land Commissioners as Elected positions).

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the public hearing of January 10, 2006 for amendments to the Real Property Law and Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

For the record, this is a revised public hearing date.

3. For Consideration: RE: Amendment to the Legislative Operating Committee Bylaws.

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the amendment to the Legislative Operating Committee bylaws, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

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

**13. Oneida Business Committee Planning**

1 Regular Business Committee Planning Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2005

**Action:** Motion by Trish King to approve the minutes of November 8, 2005, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Melinda J. Danforth, Mercie Danforth abstained. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Kathy Hughes, Paul Ninham.

**Oneida Business Committee Minutes of November 23, 2005**

Motion carried.

**14. Executive Staff Meeting - None**

**15. Executive Session**

**a. Tabled Business - None**

**b. Old Business**

Gerald Danforth (Kathy Hughes)

RE: Oneida Enterprise Development  
Authority (OEDA) FY 2006 Budget

**Excerpt from the Business Committee Meeting of October 26, 2005:** Motion by Paul Ninham to defer this item for two weeks and request board representation (Francis Skenandore), seconded by Melinda Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

**Excerpt from the Business Committee Meeting of November 9, 2005:** Motion by Trish King to direct the chair to follow-up with OEDA and schedule this item back on the next Business Committee meeting, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

**Response due November 23, 2005**

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to defer this item to the Treasurer for follow up and to bring it back at the next Business Committee meeting, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

**c. New Business**

Terry Cornelius

RE: Bank of America Debt Facility  
Amendment

**Action:** Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item to a special Business Committee meeting on Monday, November 28, 2005 at 3:00 p.m., seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

**2. Terry Cornelius**

RE: Wells Fargo Bank - Certificate of  
Incumbency

**Action:** Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the Certificate of Incumbency for Wells Fargo and authorize the executive officers to sign the document,

seconded by Paul Ninahm. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Appeals Commission RE: Retro approval - Attorney Paul Stenzel Contract

**Action:** Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the retro-approve the contract for attorney Paul Stenzel, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Mercie Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Paul Ninham opposed. For: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa. Tied vote. Chair votes in favor. Motion carried.

For the record, this contract was entered into on November 15, 2005

4. Patty Hoeft RE: Dental Care Clinic

**Action:** Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct management to provide the Business Committee with a report on the results of the management investigation by November 30, 2005 and that the Business Committee discuss the results of the report at the next Business Committee meeting, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Brenda Skenandore RE: Consideration of Special GTC Meeting

**Action:** Motion by Mercie Danforth to accept as FYI, seconded by Trish King Motion carried unanimously.

**d. Legislative Affairs Update**

Indian Health Care Improvement Act (IHClA) Amendment

2. Federal Tax Incentive Re-Authorization
3. HALO Meeting Minutes of November 15, 2005
4. Congressman Ron Kind Event
5. State Legislative Issues Update
6. LRB 3307/1

**Action:** Motion by Paul Ninham to accept as FYI and support the recommended lobbying efforts, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried

unanimously.

**e. Attorney Brief**

Petition for GTC Meeting regarding supplemental Oneida social security plan

Hobart v. Danforth update

3 Summary of ongoing Appeals Commission cases

4 Summary of inter-Tribal attorney meeting regarding Dairyland

**Action:** Motion by Mercie Danforth to accept as FYI, seconded by Kathy Hughes.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**f. Audit Committee**

Audit Committee Meeting Minutes of August 30, 2005

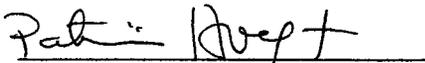
**Action:** Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the Audit Committee meeting minutes of August 30, 2005, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

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

**Recess/Adjourn**

**Action:** Motion by Mercie Danforth to adjourn, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes Approved as presented on December 7, 2005.



**Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary**  
**ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE**