

# 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 MINUTES REGULAR MEETING MAY 24, 2006 Business Committee Conference Room

- Present:** Gerald Danforth - Chair      Vince DelaRosa - Council member  
Patty Hoeft - Secretary      Paul Ninham - Council member  
Edward Delgado - Council member
- Excused:** Kathy Hughes - Vice Chair, Mercie Danforth - Treasurer, Trish King, Melinda Danforth - Council member
- Others Present:** Sue Daniels, Jeff Mears, Patti Ruuti, Bill Menacher, Tony Hill, G. Powless, Daniel House, Fred Muscavitch, Barb Dickson, Peril Huff, Wanda Diemel, Jack Mehojah
- Opening Prayer:** Robert Danforth
- Special Recognitions:** Recognizing students from the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual AISES Science Fair.  
Administered by Paul Ninham
- Recognizing Jen Falck, Tribal Sanitarian, as the 2005 IHS Environmental Health Specialist of the Year Award.  
Administered by Paul Ninham

**1. Call to Order by Gerald Danforth**

**2. Oath of Office**

Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation Board

Steven J. Yahnke - Administered by Vince DelaRosa, April 25, 2006

Oneida Pardon Committee

Dennis Powless-PRESENT

Daniel House-PRESENT

Jack Mehojah-PRESENT

Jodi Van Stippen-PRESENT

Patty Hoeft- PRESENT

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

**a. Additions** - Executive Session: Legislative Affairs PCB discussion

**b. Deletions**

**c. Moves**

**Action:** Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the agenda, seconded by Vince DelaRosa.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**4. Minutes to be Approved:**

Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of May 10, 2006

**Action:** Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the May 10, 2006 minutes, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Special Business Committee Meeting Minutes of May 4, 2006

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the May 4, 2006 Special Meeting minutes, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

**5. Tabled Business - None**

**6. Reports:**

Bay Bank (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov)

Bill Menacher - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Month

Report Submitted

**Action:** Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Bay Bank Quarterly Report, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Report Submitted

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept the O.N.E. Quarterly report, seconded Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the Chief of Staff to bring back a report with his review and analysis of the state of O.N.E. board, with recommendations if it should continue as it is currently organized or other alternatives, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Environmental Resource Board (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov)  
Ted Hawk - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Month

Report Not Submitted

**Action:** Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this report to the next Business Committee meeting, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Report Submitted

**Action:** Motion by Ed Delgado to accept the Personnel Commission quarterly report, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov)  
Lance Broberg - 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the month

Report Submitted

**Action:** Motion by Ed Delgado to accept the Airport Hotel Corporation quarterly report, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

**7. Travel Reports - None**

## Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings

1. Patty Hoeft RE: Proposed Dates for 2007 GTC Annual Mtg.

Deferred April 12, April 26, May 16

**Action:** Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the GTC Annual meeting date of January 1, 2007 date with a back up date of January 8, 2007, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Ed Delgado. Patty Hoeft opposed. Motion carried.

## 8. New Business

### a. Resolutions

1. Fred Muscavitch RE: 41 Fee to Trust Applications

**Action:** Motion by Ed Delgado to adopt 41 Fee to Trust applications, resolutions A-OO, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

### b. Requests

1. Patty Hoeft RE: Accept the resignation of Mark King and post one (1) vacancy on the Oneida Police Commission, term ending December 31, 2008

**Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to support and post the one vacancy for the Oneida Police Commission, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Patty Hoeft RE: Request to post one (1) vacancy on the Oneida Personnel Commission for the expiring term of Nancy Cook on July 2, 2006

**Action:** Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the posting of one vacancy for the Oneida Personnel Commission for term expiring July 2, 2006, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Patty Hoeft RE: Request to post three (3) vacancies on the Oneida Pow Wow Committee for the expiring term of Lloyd Powless, Maureen Metoxen and Benjamin Vieau, all due to expire on July 2, 2006

**Action:** Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the posting of three vacancies on the Oneida Pow Wow committee, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Ed Delgado RE: Taping of Business Committee Meetings

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to assign the General Manager and Chief of Staff to bring back a plan in 30 days stating who is responsible for taping Business Committee meetings, 2. who the camera will focus on, the Business Committee and then whoever is speaking 3. distribution of tape copies: to each library for viewing purposes only, with a copy to records management, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Melinda J. Danforth RE: Oneida Nation High School Senior Trip Donation to match fund raising efforts of \$2,300

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the matching fund raising efforts of \$3,447.00, defer this item to the Treasurer's office, and that future High School fund raiser efforts be deferred to the school board first, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Patty Hoeft RE: The use and maintenance of Parish Hall

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the General Manager and COS to provide the Business Committee with draft Standard Operating Procedure's that define how requests are scheduled and how conflicts with the tribe and church will be resolved, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Gerald Danforth RE: Housing Board Recommendation

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the appointment of Jennifer L. Hill to the Housing Board, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Gerald Danforth RE: Personnel Commission Recommendation

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the appointment of Carol Smith to the Oneida Personnel Commission, seconded by Paul Ninham. For:Vince DelaRosa. Ed Delgado abstained. Motion carried.

c. Travel Requests

1. Trish King RE: Retro-approval for travel to Potawatomi Casino Grand Opening on May 19, 2006

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to delete this item, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Gerald Danforth RE: Retro travel request to 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Great Plains Gaming Conference/NIGC Consultation Meeting

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to retro approve the travel request, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Finance Committee - **None**

10. Legislative Operating Committee ( LOC)

For Consideration: RE: LOC Minutes of April 24, 2006

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the LOC April 24, 2006 minutes, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

For Consideration: RE: Adoption of the Back Pay Policy

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to adopt resolution 5-24-06- PP, seconded by Patty Hoeft. For: Ed Delgado. Paul Ninham opposed. Motion carried.

For Consideration: RE: July 25, 2006 Public Hearing date for Termination of Appointment Amendments

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the public hearing date of July 25, 2006 for the Termination of Appointment Amendments, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

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

12. Oneida Business Committee Planning

Meeting Minutes of May 9, 2006

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the May 9, 2006 Planning minutes, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Executive Staff Meeting

Meeting Minutes of May 4, 2006

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the May 4, 2006 Executive Staff minutes, seconded by Patty Hoeft. For: Vince DelaRosa. Ed Delgado abstained. Motion carried.

For the Record, Ed Delgado abstained because he was still unclear if tribal members are invited to these meetings

14. Legislative Affairs Update

1. Wisconsin Delegation Briefing Minutes - FYI

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to accept as FYI, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Local, Municipal and County Report - Approval

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the report, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Patty Hoeft to refer the Ryans challenge event to the Chief of Staff to bring back a plan on how Oneida can participate, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

3. OMB Letter to Vendors - Approval

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the OMB Letter to vendors, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

15. Executive Session

a. Tabled Business - **None**

b. Old Business

1. Vince DelaRosa/Jim Bittorf RE: LOC Attorney Contract

Excerpt from May 10, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item to the next Business Committee agenda and that the LOC Chair and Chief Counsel can work out concerns, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the LOC attorney contract for Scott Wilson, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

c. New Business

1. Trish King RE: Seven Generations Corporation Charter Amendments

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to schedule a meeting with the President and Executive Director of the Seven Generation's board, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously. -

2. Gerald Danforth RE: Gaming General Manager Contract

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to defer this item to a special meeting on June 2, 2006, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Patty Hoeft RE: Approval of 77 new enrollments and 1 relinquishment

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve 77 new enrollments as presented and include Shane Standing Fox Skenandore and Joslyn Skenandore III as approved by enrollment committee per memo dated may 11, 2006 from enrollment manager to the Business Committee, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the one relinquishment for Peggy Anton, seconded by Vince DelaRosa Motion carried unanimously.

c. Legislative Affairs Update

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to direct law office to work with Environmental staff to prepare comment for Consent Degree for PCB, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Vince DelaRosa to direct Chief of Staff to prepare Briefing Manual for Business Committee consideration on PCB issues ie, legal matters, policy challenges, public PR statements, coalition efforts, science of PCB matter, laid out for consideration in formulating our position, prepared for May 31, 2006, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Attorney Brief

Special GTC Meetings - lack of Quorum  
Semi-Annual and Annual GTC meeting dates - Holidays  
May 23, 2006 NIGC Consultation

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to accept as FYI, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

f. Audit Committee

Meeting Minutes of March 30, 2006

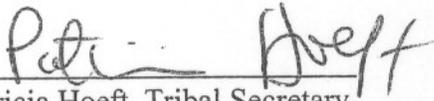
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to defer to the next Business Committee meeting, with Chief of Staff to coordinate the sending of those meetings by next meeting, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

g. Oneida Enterprise Development Authority (1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the month)

Recess/Adjourn

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to adjourn, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes Approved as presented on June 21, 2006

  
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Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary  
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE