

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 December 20, 2006 Business Committee Conference Room

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

Excused:

Others Present: Barbara Skenandore, Cletius Ninham, Noel Cleven, Jan Frion, Ron Green, Carol Silva, Wanda Diemel, Racquel Hill, Dottie Krull, Brenda John, Marton Antone, Gina Buenrostro, Katy Katch, Ron King, Judy Cornelius

Opening Prayer: Oneida Singers

Special Recognitions: None

1. **Call to Order** by Gerald Danforth
2. **Oath of Office**
ONVAC administered by Gerald Danforth
Carol Silva-PRESENT
Cletus M. Ninham-PRESENT

Oneida Pow Wow Committee
John Teller-NOT PRESENT

Miss Oneida Committee administered by Patty Hoeft
Racquel Hill-PRESENT

Audit Committee

Karen Coffey - administered by Patty Hoeft in the Secretary's office

Oneida Child Protective Board

Beverly L. Skenandore - administered by Patty Hoeft after Resolution was approved

3. Approval of the Agenda

- a. Additions
- b. Deletions
- c. Moves

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the agenda with the addition of doing an Oath of Office regarding the Child Protective Board, Section 8.3; resolution in Executive Session, if adopted, will be discussed in open session, seconded by Patty Hoeft. For: Paul Ninham, Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Trish King, Kathy Hughes. Abstained: Ed Delgado. Motion carried.

4. Minutes to be Approved

Regular Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2006

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the December 6, 2006 minutes, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Special Business Committee Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2006

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the Special meeting minutes of December 13, 2006, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Tabled Business

- 1. Chief Counsel RE: Review of Fee To Trust MOU and any recommended changes

Excerpt from December 6, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to table the Fee to Trust MOU, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to take this item from the table, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the FY2007-2008 Midwest Fee to Trust Consortium Memorandum of Understanding, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion

carried unanimously.

6. **Reports - None**

7. **Travel Reports - None**

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

1. General Manager RE: Print Shop Recommendation

Excerpt from December 6, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item to the next Business Committee Meeting of December 20, 2006, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Mercie Danforth, Melinda J. Danforth: Abstained: Trish King. Motion carried.

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to move the Print Shop recommendation to the Business Committee Planning meeting, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Kathy Hughes, Mercie Danforth, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Trish King. Motion carried.

2. Patty Hoeft RE: Draft Proposed BC Regular Meeting Procedure

Excerpt from December 6, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item to next Business Committee meeting of December 20, 2006, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to delete the draft proposed Business Committee Regular Meeting Procedures from the agenda, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Gerald Danforth RE: Oneida Child Protective Board Resolution 12-20-06 A

Excerpt from December 6, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this resolution to the next Oneida Business Committee meeting, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to adopt resolution 12-20-06-A, appointing Beverly A. Skenandore to the Oneida Child Protective Board, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

9. **New Business**

a. Resolutions

1. Gerald Danforth RE: Endorsement of Ernie Stevens, Jr. as NIGA Chairman

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to adopt resolution 12-20-06-B, endorsing Ernie Stevens, Jr. as NIGA Chairman, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Fred Muscavitch RE: Rescinding Prior Resolution and Approving corrected Resolution - 7-5-06-OO, 7-5-06PP, 7-5-06-RR, 12-7-05-S

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to rescind Fee to Trust resolutions: Former John and Karen Binkowski Property, 7-06-06-OO; Former Gary E. Cornelius and Sharon R. House Property, 7-05-06-PP; Linsmeyer Property, 7-05-06-RR; and Gordon J. Roffers Property 12-07-05-S, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve correcting resolutions for: Former John and Karen Binkowski Property, resolution 12-20-06-C; Former Gary E. Cornelius and Sharon R. House Property, resolution 12-20-06-D; Linsmeyer Property, resolution 12-20-06-E; and Gordon J. Roffers Property resolution 12-20-06-F, . seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Requests

1. Marty Anton RE: Letter of Support for Development of a Joint Public Safety Facility

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the letter of support for the Development of a Joint Public Safety Facility, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Patty Hoeft RE: VFW Building and Space Needs

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to move the VFW building and space needs item to the March 2007 Business Committee Planning meeting and that the General Manager provide a report for that meeting that assesses the use and condition of the Robert Cornelius Post 7784 VFW building and the Tribe's Veterans Services current office space and proposes recommendation as to how to provide better space needs for all veterans in our community so that any recommendations can be considered in the FY2008 budget, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Patty Hoeft RE: Request for Special Meeting, January 17, 2007

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to schedule a Special Business Committee meeting regarding

the GTC meeting on Proposed Elimination of Oneida Housing Authority's Community Program Area on January 17, 2007, at 5:00 p.m., due to lack of a December 4, 2006 GTC quorum, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Gerald Danforth RE: Recommendation for Oneida Personnel Commission

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the appointment of Brenda Skenandore to the Oneida Personnel Commission, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Gerald Danforth RE: Recommendation for Oneida Housing Authority Board

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve deferring the recommendation to the Oneida Housing Authority Board to the next Business Committee meeting, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Patty Hoeft RE: Cancellation of the January 3, 2007, Oneida Business Committee Meeting

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to cancel the January 3, 2007 Regular Business Committee meeting to allow Business Committee members to attend the Inaugural Events in Washington, DC, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Travel Requests

1. Melinda Danforth/
Paul Ninham RE: Commissioner Certification Series
March 25-28; May 8-9; June 12-13, 2007

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the travel request for the Commissioner Certification Series, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Patty Hoeft (BC) RE: Governor Doyle's Inaugural Event, Madison,
January 3, 2007

Action: Motion by Trish King to approve Business Committee blanket travel and procedural exception if necessary, to attend Governor Doyle's Inaugural Event, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Mercie Danforth RE: Procedural Exception - Dynamic Planning &
Budgeting - Putting Your Money Where Your
Strategy is, February 6 - 8, 2007 (Accounting

Department)

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the procedural exception travel request for Dynamic Planning & Budgeting Strategy, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Gerald Danforth, Paul Ninham RE: Retro Approval - Terra Madre Trip

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to retro approve the Terra Madre Trip, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Kathy Hughes RE: Travel to H.O.N.O.R. Meeting, Minneapolis MN, January 4, 2007

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the H.O.N.O.R meeting travel request, seconded by Trish King. For: Paul Ninham, Vince DelaRosa, Mercie Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoef. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

6. Gerald Danforth, Paul Ninham RE: Travel Approval to attend the Nancy Pelosi Inauguration, Washington D.C., January 3 & 4, 2007

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the travel request for Nancy Pelosi Inauguration, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Gerald Danforth RE: Travel Approval to attend the tribal leaders meeting "2006 Mid-Term Elections & What they Mean for Indian Country", San Diego, CA, January 7-9, 2007

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the travel request to attend the Tribal Leaders Meeting 2006 Mid-Term Elections and What They Mean for Indian Country, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Finance Committee

Finance Committee Minutes of May 15, 2006

Finance Committee Minutes of June 23, 2006

Finance Committee Minutes of July 14, 2006

Finance Committee Minutes of August 11, 2006

Finance Committee Minutes of September 8, 2006

Finance Committee Minutes of November 17, 2006

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the Finance Committee minutes of: May 15,

14. Executive Staff Meeting

Executive Staff Minutes from December 7, 2006

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the Executive Staff Minutes of December 7, 2006, seconded by Mercie Danforth. For: Paul Ninham, Trish King, Vince DelaRosa, Kathy Hughes, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Ed Delgado. Motion carried..

For the Record, Ed Delgado abstained due to not attending meeting.

15. Legislative Affairs Update

1. State Budget Presentation (Verbal Update) - **FYI**

Excerpt from December 6, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer the State Budget Presentation to the next Oneida Business Committee Meeting, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to accept the verbal update on the State Budget Presentation as FYI, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

2. IRR Testimony - Retro Approval

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to table the IRR Testimony, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Local, Municipal & County Report - Approve

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept the Local, Municipal & County Report, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

16. Executive Session

a. Tabled Business - None

b. Old Business - None

c. New Business

1. Patty Hoeft RE: Records Management Restructure Proposal

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item to the January 17, 2007 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Paul Ninham, Kathy Hughes, Mercie Danforth, Ed Delgado. Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried.

2. Mike Olujic

RE: Sixth Amendment to the 401K Plan

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to adopt resolution 12-20-06-H, Sixth Amendment to the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Retirement Savings and 401K Plan and the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Deferred Compensation Plan, seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Paul Ninham, Vince DelaRosa, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried.

3. Mike Olujic

RE: Welfare Benefit Plan Amendment

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to adopt resolution 12-20-06-I, Pension Protection Act (PPA) compliance amendment to the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Employee Welfare Benefits Plan, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Paul Ninham, Kathy Hughes, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried.

4. Mike Olujic

RE: Request the Previous Action Approving the Budget Modification

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to rescind the August 30, 2006 motion regarding Health Center Budget Modification for FY2006, seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Paul Ninham, Vince DelaRosa, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried.

d. Legislative Affairs Update - None

e. Attorney Brief

Filing for declaratory injunctive relief

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept the Filing for declaratory injunctive relief as FYI, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Appeals Commission

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to adopt resolution 12-20-06-J to direct non-participation in Oneida Appeals Commission Docket # 06TC019 and direct the Chair to meet with CJO per the MOA to discuss this resolution and to schedule a GTC meeting at the earliest date possible to present this decision, seconded by Paul Ninham. For: Mercie Danforth, Melinda J. Danforth. Opposed: Vince DelaRosa, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft. Motion carried.

Skenandore/ Cornelius - FYI

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

f. **Audit Committee - None**

g. **Oneida Enterprise Development Authority (1st meeting of the month) - None**

h. **Seven Generation Corporation Update (1st and 2nd meeting of the month) - None**

Recess/Adjourn

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to adjourn, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on January 17, 2007



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