

# Oneida Business Committee Meeting Agenda Request Form

**Deadlines**

**Instructions**

1. Meeting Date Requested: 06 / 11 / 14

2. Nature of request

Session:  Open     Executive - justification required. See instructions for the applicable laws that define what is considered "executive" information, then choose from the list below:

Agenda Header (choose one):

Agenda item title (see instructions):

Action requested (choose one)

Information only

Action - please describe:

3. Justification

Why BC action is required (see instructions):

4. Supporting Materials

**Instructions**

Memo of explanation with required information (see instructions)

Report     Resolution     Contract (check the box below if signature required)

Other - please list (**Note:** multi-media presentations due to Tribal Clerk 2 days prior to meeting)

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Business Committee signature required

5. Submission Authorization

Authorized sponsor (choose one):

Requestor (if different from above):   
Name, Title / Dept. or Tribal Member

Additional signature (as needed): \_\_\_\_\_  
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**ONCOA QUARTERLY REPORT TO OBC**

**June 2014**

**Period: March, April, and May 2014**

**MISSION: ONCOA ADVOCATES FOR ALL SERVICES THAT PLACE PRIORITY ON THE WELL BEING OF OUR ELDERS**

**ONEIDA NATION COMMISSION ON AGING**

Wesley Martin, Jr., Chairman  
Arlie Doxtator Vice-Chairman  
Marlene Summers, Secretary  
Shirley Barber, Member  
Clifford Doxtator, Member

Pearl Mc Lester, Member  
Carol Elm, Member  
MaryAnn Kruckeberg, Member  
Charlene Cornelius, Member

**Melinda Danforth, OBC Liaison, and David Jordan, Alternate OBC Liaison**

**Primary Focus Areas for ONCOA**

- Long Term Care Services & Support -- Personal Care Agency; Aging & Disability Resource-Specialist; Affordable & Accessible Elder Housing
- Communication with Tribal Elders and Elder Service staff
- Training & Education for ONCOA and staff

<b>ONCOA Meetings March, April, May, 2014</b>		
March 23	April 10	May 13
March 21	April 22	May 27

**SPECIAL EVENTS/TRAINING/EDUCATION**

**Elder Village – Cottage Neighborhood**

- Affordable and accessible housing for our elders is a priority need in our community. To address this need, ONCOA played a major role in identifying the Elder Village concept as a neighborhood that would enhance quality of life principles for elders.
- During the past quarter, a major focus for ONCOA has been Elder Village planning. This is a project that has been discussed for several years and is finally moving forward again. Infrastructure is complete and construction is slated to being in July 2014. Primary funding is through the Oneida Housing Authority.
- ONCOA attended project team status meetings to stay informed of the progress or delays in the project at various stages of development. Project team meetings are held once a month on Friday at the Elder Services conference room. OBC members are invited to attend any of the Friday meetings.
- Collaborative efforts will continue with OHA, Oneida Planning, Oneida elders, and others through the development, design, and construction phases. The projected date to start construction is July 2014. Most recently ONCOA members were part of the team to score the architect proposals.

**Adult Day Services and Elder Services Garages for the Apartment and for Home Chore Maintenance.**

- ONCOA has decided to pursue addressing the need for **Adult Day Services and Elder Service Garages for the apartments and maintenance.** The Adult Day Service and Maintenance garage was deleted from the original ORCCC project and slated for future development. Somehow the CIP package (#05-013/May 31, 2007) for the Elder Services apartment garages was deleted from the CIP list and it needs to be reinstated. All three projects are related to the development of the Lee McLester III Complex. ONCOA will be working with Elder Services to move these projects forward.

**Aging and Disability Resource Specialist**

- An Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) is a one-stop shop for accurate, unbiased information on all aspects of life related to aging or living with a disability. The ADRC provides information on a broad range of programs and services, helps people understand the various long term care options available to them, helps people apply for programs and benefits, and serves as the access point for publically funded long term care.
- Elder Services has been working on establishing an Oneida Aging and Disability Specialist office where information specific to Oneida services as well as services in the surrounding communities can be provided to people who call Oneida about services.
- The ADRS proposal was written by the Sarah Gard, Elder Services Vista worker. She gathered information for the proposal with the assistance from Elder Services, ONCOA, Oneida Health Center, and State representatives. The annual grant request is for \$106,000
- The state will provide funding for the ADR-specialist position (2) and will designate an Oneida representative to the Brown County and the Outagamie County ADRC governing boards..
- *(The grant proposal was submitted by Elder Services. The grant was approved by the OBC at the February 26, 2014 meeting. In May the grant to fund the latter six months of 2014 in the amount of \$51,000 was approved by the State. Elder Services will soon begin the implementation process.)*

**Money Follows the Person Tribal Initiative**

- The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services is offering states and tribes between \$850,000 and \$1.93 million in grant funding in order to build sustainable community-based long term services and supports specifically for Tribal members. Wisconsin must have an active partnership with the participating Tribes or Tribal Organizations. Oneida has submitted a letter regarding our willingness to move forward with the state in developing systems to address tribal member needs. Each Tribe selects an option that is most appropriate to the tribal needs.
- Oneida Elder Services is interested in developing a Tribal Personal Care Agency along with needed infrastructure to deliver Long Term Care services to Oneida tribal members.
- *(In May Elder Services was informed that five states were selected to be a part of the MFP initiative and Wisconsin is one of the states. Future training meetings with the State are being planned and ONCOA representatives will be a part of this training process.)*

**ELDER TREE GRANT**

- ONCOA was accepted to be part of the Elder Tree grant. Elder Tree (ET) is an evidence-based software system designed to help older adults remain independent, safe, healthy and engaged by using tablets, laptops, and desktop computers. ET can help elders meet challenges they often face, such as loneliness and isolation, transportation, falls prevention, medication management, navigating the health system and obtaining high quality home services. ET is designed for elders, but can be used by family and other informal caregivers, clinicians, libraries, senior centers, etc. creating a community of information and support for elders.
- This grant is part of a federal CMS grant that has not started yet. There has been a pilot Elder Tree project going on in the Milwaukee area for several years. We have not received notice of a start date for this project

**Wisconsin Tribal Aging Directors Association**

- ONCOA members participated along with Elder Services Director, Florence Petri. All eleven tribes belong to this association and meet to discuss Aging Issues in Indian Country and formulate ways to best meet the needs of our Native Elders.
- This is a collaborative relationship that ONCOA has maintained with Elders Services and the other tribes since the inception of the organization.

**Elder Service Staff Meetings**

- Elder Service Staff Meetings are held once a month. ONCOA Commissioners attend these meetings. Updated monthly calendar of events, speakers, and staff information comprise the agenda. There is an ONCOA Representative in attendance to provide a status of ONCOA Activities.

**Elder Service Supervisor Meetings**

- The Elder Service Supervisor Meetings are held once a month. The ONCOA Chairperson and ONCOA Coordinator attend these meetings. This is an opportunity to be informed and share processes and projects of Elder Services Supervisors.

**MEETING REQUIREMENTS**

ONCOA meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the Elder Services Conference Room. Other special meetings are held during the month to address specific topics related to the goals and objectives of ONCOA. All meetings are open and community members are encouraged to attend.

**GOALS**

<b>GOAL I</b>	<b>ONCOA will create policies and work together with Elder Services in an effort to improve the quality of life of our Elders.</b>
<b>GOAL II</b>	<b>ONCOA will communicate with Elders on issues, policies and services in order to increase their awareness and participation.</b>
<b>GOAL III</b>	<b>ONCOA will advocate at all levels (tribal, local, state, national) for resources to provide for elder services</b>

**COMMENTS**

Each commissioner, along with the ONCOA staff, brings with him/her a varied background of employment, education, and life experiences to work toward a common goal of advocating for services that place emphasis on our elders. The following is a list of community involvement for the current ONCOA commissioners and staff:

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| Oneida Nutrition Board   | ONVAC (Oneida Indian Veterans Association) |
| Anna John Nursing Home Board   | GLNAEA – Elder Abuse Task Force            |
| National Indian Council on Aging   | Oneida Personnel Commission                |
| Oneida Child Protective Board  | Wisconsin Elks Association                 |
| King’s Veteran Home Board  | Oneida Library Board                       |
| Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources, Board of Directors              |  |
| Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee (elected)                                  |  |
| Great Lakes Native American Elders Association, Board of Directors & members |  |