

# Oneida Business Committee Meeting Agenda Request Form

1. Meeting Date Requested: 01 / 28 / 15

## 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:

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Information only

Action - please describe:

## 3. Justification

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# ONEIDA NATION VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

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**ONVAC Oct., Nov., and Dec., 2014**  
**1st QUARTERLY REPORT – FY 2015**  
**Due Jan 20, 2015, Submitted Jan 14, 2015**

**SUBMITTED BY: ONVAC CHAIRMAN, Mike Hill**

## ONVAC MEMBERS

**OFFICERS:** Mike Hill - Chairman  
Jim Martin – Vice Chairman,  
John Breuninger, Secretary

**MEMBERS:** Gerald Cornelius, Member                      Arthur Cornelius, Member  
Kenneth House, Member                                      Carol Silva, Member  
Loretta V. Metoxen, Member                                  Nathan Smith, Board Member\*

\* (Nathan Smith's appointment expires in Jan, 2015 and the appropriate announcements for refilling the position have been completed and announced per protocol).

**OBC LIAISON:** Jennifer Webster  
Alternate: Fawn Billie

## MINUTES

Meetings: October 14, November 10 and December 13, 2014 (Minutes Attached)

### Summary Points for October, November and December of 2014

- I. ONVAC – FY 2015 Budget. The Tribal Budget for FY 2015 has yet to be approved and the ONVAC, as directed, remains under the OBC's Continuing Resolution and Cost Constraints Resolutions.
- II. A sub-committee of the ONVAC members has been established for the purpose of 1) reviewing and recommending appropriate modifications to the ONVAC By-Laws, 2) establish and recommend a Color Guard and Flag Protocol, 3) develop, recommend and implement an ONVAC Policy and Procedure for responding to financial support requests from veterans, community members, tribal organizations, etc., and, to coordinate our efforts with the OBC Liaison to the ONVAC.
- III. ONVAC Member Loretta Metoxen has been appointed to the Governor's State Veteran's Museum Board, which meets quarterly. ONVAC financially supports her travel for these

meetings. Ms. Metoxen was selected to represent all Wisconsin Tribes and their respective veterans organizations.

- IV. The ONVAC continues to work with the Veterans Service Office (VSO) on paver sales, reporting and monument upgrades. As of 8-12-14 there is a total of 196 pavers sold. We will continue to market and advertise in the Kalihwisaks in order to support all veteran's families in providing the recognition due their family members.
- V. All Veteran Monument projects. ONVAC continues to work with the VSO, individual Veterans Organizations and the Oneida Tourism Department to enhance our Veterans Memorial site. We would also like to thank the Grounds Keeping Department of the Department of Public Works and the Tourism Department for their assistance in maintaining the landscaping of the site.
- VI. ONVAC is working with the VSO to have all Civil War headstones replaced at all local cemeteries. This is a continuing process.
- VII. The ONVAC and VSO continue to collaborate with all of the Oneida Veterans Organizations in serving as Honor and Color Guards for GTC and other Organizational Meetings, external Veterans Activities, meetings, funerals, etc.
- VIII. ONVAC representatives have met with the OBC's GTC Planning Committee and have offered Veterans assistance and support to the Oneida Security Department in the "exiting process" following GTC meetings. This support began in November and has proven to be a success.

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

ONVAC prepared and supported the OBC with the presentation of a plaque to the Pulaski High School Band in recognition of their excellent participation and commitment to the Oneida Code Talkers Recognition Ceremony. The plaque was presented on November 12, 2014 at an Oneida Business Committee Meeting.

#### **PERSONAL/PUBLIC COMMENTS**

"All Oneida veteran associations should work together for the benefit of the Oneida Community."

The ONVAC sees this as an opportunity to orchestrate and strengthen all veteran activities and to recognize and utilize our veterans for the overall benefit of our community.

#### **GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

It is the Mission of ONVAC to ensure the Oneida Veterans are provided with quality service and assistance in the delivery of entitlement and benefits due the Oneida Veteran and their families. ONVAC accepts the responsibility to advocate for Oneida Veterans and their families, while protecting the integrity of the Veteran Community of the Oneida Nation

## **MEETING REQUIREMENTS**

ONVAC meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 5:00 pm at the Oneida Veterans Office at 134 Riverdale Drive, Oneida.

ONVAC also holds “special meetings” as appropriate, to conduct business on issues of immediate concern and/or is directed by the Oneida Business Committee.

All meetings are open to the public.