

Oneida Business Committee Agenda Request

1. Meeting Date Requested: 11 / 29 / 18

2. General Information:

Session: Open Executive - See instructions for the applicable laws, then choose one:

Agenda Header:

Accept as Information only

Action - please describe:

4th Quarter Report - Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee

3. Supporting Materials

Report Resolution Contract

Other:

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Business Committee signature required

4. Budget Information

Budgeted - Tribal Contribution

Budgeted - Grant Funded

Unbudgeted

5. Submission

Authorized Sponsor / Liaison:

Primary Requestor/Submitter:

Your Name, Title / Dept. or Tribal Member

Additional Requestor:

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2018 4th Quarter Report (Jul '18 - Sep '18)

Oneida Nation Veterans Advisory Committee (ONVAC)

Approved by official entity action on: October 29, 1997

Submitted by James Martin, Chairman, Gerald Cornelius, Vice-Chairman and John L. Breuninger, Secretary

Board, Committee, or Commission Members

Name and Title	Oneida Nation Email	Term Expiration Date
James Martin	N/A	02-28-2019
Gerald Cornelius	N/A	12-31-2018
John Breuninger	N/A	12-31-2021
Arthur Cornelius	N/A	12-31-2020
Floyd Hill II	N/A	02-28-2019
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OBC Liaison(s)

Jennifer Webster, Primary Liaison

Lisa Summers-Alternate

Daniel Guzman, Alternate

[Click here to enter OBC Liaison name.](#)

Meetings

Held every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Location: Veterans Services Department, 134 Riverdale Dr. Oneida, WI

Time: 5:00 PM

No Emergency Meetings were held this Quarter, however, we did meet as we came together to perform Color Guard duties and school visits during the quarter. These were "community events" and we do not consider them to be actual meetings.

Accomplishments

Please provide details of what the entity has accomplished that quarter, including any special events held during the reporting period and any travel by the members and/or staff.

ACCOMPLISHMENT #1

Summary:

ONVAC remains engaged in extracurricular activities within our Oneida Community and have assisted the Veterans Service Officer with Veterans Meetings, celebration meals, etc. Attendance at these events have been very good and it is great to have our Community Veterans participating in these events, along with their respective families as well as Oneida community members.

ONVAC has included a new Objective in our 2019 Budget Strategic Plan which will include a report on all activities of the Committee on a monthly, quarterly and annual basis. This will be implemented in the first quarter of FY 2019 (Oct., Nov. and Dec.).

Impact: Promotion of the Oneida Nation by providing support to the Oneida Community by providing services.

Engage Community with services provided

ACCOMPLISHMENT #2

Summary:

- Color Guard for Indigenous Games Athletes/LPGA Fund Raiser at the Oneida Radisson on Tuesday, July 2, 2018: This event was an absolute success, everything went well, the combined ONVAC and VFW Color Guard Units performed extremely well. Everyone involved with the Veteran's Pavilion had very positive things to say about the four day event. The Veterans came through like champions in handling the "Pin Flag" with the Caddies from each group of players. Many, many positive comments were received regarding the format to participate and the overall greatness of the Pavilion. The OESC and Veterans can be very proud of the experience. Thank You to Jeff House, President/CEO OESC and Kerry Metoxen, Tribal Veterans Service Officer. ONVAC traveled to Indian Summer and provided color guard duties for four sessions of the Pow Wow.

Impact: Community Pride, Veteran recognition, Oneida Nation Representation and Recognition

Community support

ACCOMPLISHMENT #3

Summary:

The Committee takes PRIDE in up-keeping the Veterans Memorial Site (the Wall, Eagle, Landscaping and general grounds). Furthermore, the Committee is completing a Development Plan for the expansion of the "park" with

features like a pavilion, picnic tables, more monuments, enhancements to the Eagle support walls as well as the placement of an additional eagle, etc.

Impact:

Community and Veterans Pride in displaying our (ONEIDA) history as all of our Veterans have served in the United States Uniformed Services.

Goals

Please provide details of the entity's long-term goals, the entity's goals for the next quarter, and projected quarterly activities.

LONG-TERM GOAL #1

Developing relationship with other veteran organizations.

ONVAC assists in developing relationships by working with other Veteran Organizations and assisting other Tribal Departments. Furthermore, we are committed to being a "useful arm" in our Community for everyone's sake and also continuing to representing our Oneida Nation in events, programs, meetings, conferences, etc.

Update on Goal:

[Click here to enter your update on Goal – less than 200 words](#)

ONVAC has established a mechanism within which we will continuously report on all ONVAC associated activities within our community as well as our participation in major Veteran events as often as possible within our existing budget.

LONG-TERM GOAL #2

To keep our Veteran Community alive in assisting the Oneida Nation Museum with a Veterans Database, videos, pictures and stories which will be preserved and available for use by everyone and for future generations.

[Click here to enter how your long-term goal supports the Triennial Strategic Plan](#)

A major part of the ONVAC Triennial Strategic Plan is to develop and maintain records of our goals, objectives, activities, accomplishments and participation in various Veteran related activities throughout the Oneida Nation, surrounding communities and National (U.S.) activities and special events.

Update on Goal:

We are in the development stages of upgrading the Veteran Memorial Site, working with the Oneida Nation Museum on the database and display activities, etc.

QUARTERLY GOAL #1

ONVAC will assist the Veteran Service Office with sponsoring a Christmas Tree in the Duck Creek Bridge decorating event by preparing and providing the food and drink components of the event (November 2018).

Community involvement.

Update on Goal:
Menu planning and coordination of the Christmas Lightening Event.

QUARTERLY GOAL #2

Support to the Veteran Service Office in planning, developing and implementing the 2nd Annual Wild Game Feast during the 2018 Deer Hunting Season. Also, assisting the Conservation Department with staff support in maintaining the Deer Check-In Point and registration activities associated with the 2018 Oneida Nation Deer Hunting Season.

Community Involvement.

Update on Goal:
[Click here to enter your update on Goal – less than 200 words](#)

QUARTERLY ACTIVITIES

Christmas Bridge and Tree lighting activities.- November 2018.

Manpower support to Oneida Conservation Department for the 2018 Deer Hunting Season.

Manpower and cooking for the Wild Game Feast in November 2018.

Update on Activities:
Everything is ready to implement.

Budget

Please provide the amount of the entity’s budget, the status of the budget at that quarter, the amount of each stipend a member may be eligible to receive, how the budget is being utilized by the entity and projected budgetary uses for the next quarter.

Total Budget for FY-2018:	Value A:	\$ 31,000 Tribal Contribution
Status of Budget at 4th Quarter:	Value B:	Positive Variance of approximately \$22,000 in FY 2018

Stipend Type 50.00	Stipend Amount
Meeting	\$50.00 per member at scheduled meetings (12)
Joint Meeting	
Judiciary Hearings	
Hearings of Boards, Committees, or Commissions	
Conferences and Trainings	
Miscellaneous	

Budget Utilization

Our major expense in FY 2018 was for Meeting Stipends. We were extremely frugal this Fiscal Year by not accepting invitations to various Veteran Events throughout the year throughout the State of Wisconsin. However, 5 Committee members participated in the activities associated with the Indian Summer Pow Wow in Milwaukee. We did spend minimal dollars on Committee Member training and ribbon shirts for our use in providing Color/Honor Guard activities associated with GTC meetings, funerals and various other meetings and conferences held at the Oneida Radisson Hotel by various entities. Our positive variance reflects our commitment to the community and not making various other expenses such as ammunition donations to the Service Organizations within the Oneida Community, new and additional flags, flag standards, poles, travel bags, etc., and volunteering our time and minimal travel without claiming an expense.

Projected budgetary uses for the next quarter

Our first goal will be to establish an annual plan for events which may require transportation and/or per diem costs, secondly, establish a needs list for supporting our annual community events, i.e., Code Talkers Day Celebration, 4th of July Pow Wow, Indian Summer, Ira Hayes event, NIGA annual meeting events, etc.

Requests

ONVAC is requesting to participate in the National Native American Memorial Dedication in Washington DC in 2020. Per Business Committee request, this item will be brought up at every quarterly meeting for the purpose of notification that we (ONVAC) will be requesting additional resources in our FY2020 Budget request. We have been asking this request since July 2017. We estimate an additional \$15,000 in the budget for participation in this event for our nine-member committee.

Other

ONVAC has established a sub-committee to work with George Greendeer, State Director of the Purple Heart to establish a Memorial within the Oneida Veteran Memorial Park. We will be requesting the Oneida Business Committee's support via a Resolution of Support for this undertaking. Furthermore, ONVAC will also be Requesting support from the Oneida Business Committee to establish the Oneida Reservation as a Purple Heart Reservation. We will provide more information on these two activities once we get the appropriate paperwork and planning activities completed.