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BC Resolution # 05-08-19-A

Research Requests: Review and Approval to Conduct

- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section 1, of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS,** the General Tribal Council created the Oneida higher-education scholarship which provides funding for undergrad and graduate level degrees that has led to a significant increase in the number of Oneida members obtaining bachelor's degrees and then obtaining graduate level degrees; and
- WHEREAS,** such graduate level programs generally require research papers to be completed as a thesis or dissertation; and
- WHEREAS,** Oneida members in these programs frequently wish to conduct a research project that provides insight and awareness to an aspect of the Oneida Nation as a government, business, and/or community, and such research should be reviewed to ensure that Oneida members, the Nation, and the community are protected, the information developed is provided to the Nation, and the research accurately portrays the complex history and current activities of the Oneida Nation and its members; and
- WHEREAS,** there is increased research of tribes and Native Americans by colleges and universities, and businesses conducting research on new products; and
- WHEREAS,** research in medicine and science has taken steps to protect research subjects now recognize that tribes and Native Americans should be taken into consideration given their unique aspects and need for protection; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has relied upon an informal process of review through the Oneida Law Office regarding research requests, including information access, to determine whether approve an authorization to conduct research or issuance of a community support letter; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee, through the Quarterly Reporting process by boards, committees and commissions and divisions of the Nation, has identified that a greater number of research projects regarding the Nation and its members is occurring than originally understood; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Business Committee sets forth the following requirements when conducting research involving the Oneida Nation and its members, including requests for community support letters regarding research.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that requests by students in bachelor's, master's or doctoral level studies shall:

1. Be provided a copy of this resolution by the Education and Training Department when approved for the Oneida higher-education scholarship and upon receiving the first scholarship payment; then by memo or other notice annually thereafter.
2. Be submitted to the Chief Counsel of the Oneida Law Office for review and recommendation for action to the Oneida Business Committee.
 - a. The Chief Counsel shall call upon necessary expertise within the organization to review research requests, specifically departments or entities affected, and provide a recommendation to approve, disapprove, or amend research requests.
 - b. The Chief Counsel shall submit the research request to the Oneida Business Committee with a brief summary of the research, the name of the student, the degree and education institution attending, and a recommendation to approve or disapprove the research request.
3. Be required to submit a copy of the final draft of the research to the Chief Counsel of the Oneida Law Office for review regarding accuracy of the information.
4. Be required to submit a copy of the published or approved research project to the Chief Counsel of the Oneida Law Office to be presented to the Oneida Business Committee a final published or approved research project. The Chief Counsel shall notify the student of the date of the Oneida Business Committee meeting and invite the student to provide a brief overview of the research and findings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any research request by an educational institution or business which requires access to the Oneida Nation or members for research studies of human subjects shall be:

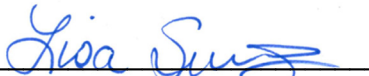
1. Presented to the Director of Comprehensive Health Operations for review and recommendation for action to the Oneida Business Committee.
 - a. The Director shall call upon necessary expertise within the organization to review research requests, specifically departments or entities affected, and provide a recommendation to approve, disapprove, or amend research requests.
 - b. The Director shall submit the research request to the Oneida Business Committee with a brief summary of the research, the name of the researcher, the university or business being represented, and a recommendation to approve or disapprove the research request.
2. Be required to submit a copy of the final draft of the research to the Director for review regarding accuracy of the information.
3. Be required to submit a copy of the published or approved research project to the Director to be presented to the Oneida Business Committee a final published or approved research project. The Director shall notify the researcher of the date of the Oneida Business Committee meeting and invite the researcher to provide a brief overview of the research and findings

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no entity, employee or representative of the Oneida Nation is authorized to approve research on behalf of the Oneida Nation unless in accordance with this resolution or a law which supersedes this resolution.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, no research project data or materials can be utilized for any other or for extended research without written approval of the Oneida Nation.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum; 6 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 8th day of May, 2019; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 5 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting*; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.



Lisa Summers, Secretary
Oneida Business Committee

*According to the By-Laws, Article I, Section 1, the Chair votes "only in the case of a tie."