

Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to ald them.

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin BUSINESS COMMITTEE



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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> Resolution <u>01-14-09-D</u> Definition of Oversight

- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally recognized government and Treaty Tribe recognized by the law of the United States; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida General Council is the governing body of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section I of the Oneida Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee is a body made up of individually elected members with individual goals and policies; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee believes that understanding the decisionmaking responsibilities and discussion is assisted by an understanding of the basic terms defining responsibilities; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee met on a regular basis over a three month period and as part of those discussions determined that "oversight" should be defined so that all members of the Business Committee are acting within the same ideas; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee believes that formally adopting the definition of oversight responsibility will also assist in employees understanding why the Oneida Business Committee takes up subjects and why action is/is not taken; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee believes that formally adopting the definition of oversight responsibility will also assist tribal members in understanding their elected officials;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Business Committee adopts the definition of oversight as follows:

Oversight refers to the review and monitoring, of programs, boards, committees, commissions, and legislation/policy/laws within defined parameters. It employs open, effective, and two-way communication to understand issues and make informed decisions while providing clear guidance and direction to the organization. Communication is received in a timely manner and includes accurate and balanced information. It involves ensuring that policy/laws are effective, efficient, and current to best meet the Tribe's needs and interests.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary Oneida Business Committee

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