



# **Oneida Business Committee**

## **Regular Meeting**

**9 a.m. Wednesday, March 14, 2012**

**BC Conference Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Norbert Hill Center**

## **Minutes**

**Present: Chairman Ed Delgado, Vice Chairman Greg Matson, Secretary Patty Hoeft, Council members Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens**

**Excused: Tina Danforth**

**Others Present: Barb Skenandore, Wes Martin, Dianne McLester-Heim, Debbie Danforth, Marlene Summers, Ron McLester, Lois Strong, Shirley Barber, Beverly Skenandore, Barb Dickson, Joan Christnot, Lori Hill, Megan Parker, Myron John, Dale Wheelock, Lauren Hartman, Ken House, Kerry R. Metoxen, Vicki Cornelius, Jeanette Ninham, Loretta V. Metoxen, Carol Elm, Joanie Buckley, Leah Stroobants, Cathy Bachhuber, Kitty Melchert, Nancy Barton, Rhiannon Metoxen**

**I. Call to Order and Roll Call at 9:05 a.m. by Ed Delgado**

**II. Opening by Chairman Ed Delgado**

**III. Approve the agenda**

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the agenda with the following additions, deletions and changes: 1) In open session - Housing enterprise proposal 2) Executive session - Consider extension of the interim period for the Enterprise Division Director 3) Administer oaths of office, if the recommendations to appoint Lori S. Hill and Vicki Cornelius to the election board are approved today 4) Delete - Item number one under appointments 5) Delete - Quality of Life report 6) Changes - Finance Committee meeting minutes should read March 9, 2012 7) Changes - Move the OTIE item in Executive session to the top of the agenda, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously:

**Ayes:** Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

**Excused:** Tina Danforth

**IV. Oaths of Office**

**V. Minutes to be approved**

**1. Feb. 22, 2012 regular meeting minutes**

Motion by David Jordan to approve the Feb. 22, 2012 regular meeting minutes, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried with one abstention:

**Ayes:** Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

**Abstained:** Melinda J. Danforth

**Excused:** Tina Danforth

**VI. Resolutions**

**1. Grant application to US Dept. of Labor Workforce Innovation Fund to create workforce development program**

**Sponsor:** Joanie Buckley

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to adopt resolution 03-14-12-A authorizing the Grant application the US Dept. of Labor Workforce Innovation Fund to create workforce development program, with the recommend changes, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth

**2. Grant application by Oneida Housing Authority to 2012 Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Service Coordinators Program to fund a Service Coordinator position**

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft

Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve Resolution 03-14-12-B Oneida Housing Authority to 2012 Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Service Coordinators Program to fund a Service Coordinator position, with the recommended changes, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

**VII. Directors and Managers quarterly reports**

**1. Comprehensive Health Division – Debbie Danforth**

Motion by David Jordan to accept the Comprehensive Health Division quarterly report, seconded by Vince Delarosa. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

**VIII. Board, Committee and Commissions**

**A. Appointments – Tribal Chairman Ed Delgado**

**1. Environmental Resource Board – Judy Cornelius Hawk, Richard Baird, Gerald Jordan, Tom Oudenhoven - DELETED**

**2. Oneida Golf Enterprise Board – Gary Jordan, Michael J. Skenandore**

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the appointments of Gary Jordan and Michael J. Skenandore to the Oneida Golf Enterprise Board, seconded by Tina Danforth. Motion carried with one opposition and four abstentions:

Ayes: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft

Opposed: Greg Matson

Abstained: David Jordan, Brandon Stevens, Paul Ninham, Melinda J. Danforth

For the record: Melinda J. Danforth stated I have a conflict, family member.

**3. Election Board – Lori S. Hill, Vicki Cornelius**

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the appointments of Lori S. Hill and Vicki Cornelius to the Election Board, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth

For the record: Melinda J. Danforth stated, again I am respectfully recusing myself because of family.

**4. Personnel Commission Board – Three vacancies to be announced at meeting**

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the appointments of Kevin Shilka, Richard Moss and Sandra Dennet to the Personnel Commission Board, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Melinda J. Danforth

**B. Quarterly reports**



**1. Oneida Child Protective Board – Jeanette Ninham, Chairwoman**

Motion by Tina Danforth to accept the Oneida Child Protective Board quarterly report, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Melinda J. Danforth

**2. Anna John Nursing Home Commission – Carol Elm, Chairwoman**

Motion by David Jordan to accept the Anna John Nursing Home Commission quarterly report, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

**3. Oneida Nation Commission on Aging – Dellora R. Cornelius, Chairwoman**

Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Oneida Nation Commission on Aging quarterly report, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth

**4. Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee – Mike Hill, Vice Chairman**

Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee quarterly report, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Motion by David Jordan to break at 11:55 a.m. and to go back into session at 1:30 p.m., seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Motion by Paul Ninham to go back into session at 1:36 p.m., seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Patty Hoeft, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, David Jordan

\*Vice Chairman Greg Matson chairing the rest of the meeting

**IX. Standing Committees**

**A. Legislative Operating Committee – Melinda J. Danforth, Chairwoman**

**1. Approve April 26 public hearing date Tribal Environmental Response Law**

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve April 26 as the public hearing date for the Tribal Environmental Response Law, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Patty Hoeft, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, David Jordan

**2. Approve April 17 public hearing date Judicial Canon of Ethics**

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve April 17 as the public hearing date for the Judicial Canon of Ethics, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado, Tina Danforth,

**3. Approve April 17 public hearing date Legislative Procedures Act**

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve April 17 as the public hearing date for the Legislative Procedures Act, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado, Tina Danforth

**B. Finance Committee – Treasurer Tina Danforth, Chairwoman**

**1. Approve March 9, 2012 meeting minutes**

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the March 9, 2012 Finance Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth

Excused: Ed Delgado, Tina Danforth

**C. Community Development Planning Committee – Vince DelaRosa, Chairman**

**1. Approve Feb. 2, 2012 meeting minutes**

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the Feb. 2, 2012 Community Development Planning Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado, Tina Danforth

**D. Quality of Life – Paul Ninham, Chairman**

**1. Update report on status of Quality of Life committee - Delete**

**X. General Tribal Council**

**1. Petitioner Melinda J. Danforth: Direct the Oneida Business Committee ensure General Tribal Council meetings are held only within the boundaries of the Oneida Reservation**

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft

*Excerpt from Feb. 22, 2012: Motion by Patty Hoeft to acknowledge receipt of the petition filed by Melinda J. Danforth and that it is sent to the law office for analysis, due back at the next BC meeting, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously.*

Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the legal review, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth

Excused: Ed Delgado, Tina Danforth

**XI. Unfinished Business**

**1. Decline sponsorship of film development project**

Sponsor: Ed Delgado

*Excerpt from Jan. 25, 2012: Motion by Patty Hoeft to refer this request to the Finance Committee to vet the dollar amount and to the Chairman's office to work with the appropriate division directors to determine how this project will be implemented and to bring back a recommendation in 30 days, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.*

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to defer this item to the FY2013 budget strategy sessions of the Business Committee for consideration, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried with one opposition:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Opposed: Tina Danforth

Excused: Ed Delgado



## **XII. New Business/Requests**

### **1. Appoint Debbie Danforth and Sandra Schuyler to WI Center for Nursing Task Force**

Sponsor: Melinda J. Danforth

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to appoint Debbie Danforth and Sandra Schuyler to WI Center for Nursing Task Force, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Tina Danforth

Excused: Ed Delgado

### **2. Approve Head Start/Early Head Start by-laws**

Sponsor: Don White

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the Head Start/Early Head Start by-laws, seconded by Tina Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado

### **3. Approve Oneida Head Start Policy Council Impasse Resolution Agreement for 2011-2012**

Sponsor: Don White

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the Oneida Head Start Policy Council Impasse Resolution Agreement for 2011-2012, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado

### **4. Approve Head Start/Early Head Start 2011-2012 selection criteria**

Sponsor: Don White

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the Head Start/Early Head Start 2011-2012 selection criteria, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado

## **XIII. Travel**

### **A. Travel Reports**

#### **1. Office of Head Start Consultation, Petoskey, MI, Feb. 15, 2012**

Sponsor: Melinda J. Danforth

Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the travel report, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado

#### **2. WI Dept. of Transportation/Tribal Labor Advisory Committee, Lac Du Flambeau, Feb. 27, 2012**

Sponsor: Ed Delgado/Vince DelaRosa

Motion by David Jordan to approve the travel report, seconded by Tina Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado

### **B. Travel Requests**

**1. US Dept. of Veterans Affairs: Working with Tribal Governments to Serve Indian Country's Veterans, Prior Lake, MN, April 17-18, 2012**

Sponsor: Ed Delgado

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the travel request, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado

**XIV. Additions**

**1. Housing Proposal**

Sponsor: Vince DelaRosa

Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item to the Finance Committee to begin the process of vetting the funding sources for this and to Community Development Planning Committee for vetting on how it would fit in with our efforts to construct residential units, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried with one opposition:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Opposed: Vince DelaRosa

Excused: Ed Delgado

For record: Vince DelaRosa stated I oppose the motion on this matter to defer this issue to other areas. This is a needless delay causing further harm to all those Oneida families and people who need their elected officials to deliver on housing matters. As you may be aware, we are in a crisis on housing, it is an emergency. Over the last few weeks my office has heard for many tribal members asking what we are doing about housing. We know there are hundreds of people who need housing right now!

I would just add the idea of saving cost and offering over 30 new Oneida jobs could not come at a better time. Not to mention the overall quality of the homes that Oneida tribal members would be building in this new facility, this is unquestionably needed now.

Here is my final thought as you may be aware, in terms of the emergency, here is a quick thought:

The US Census Bureau reported in 2008 that Native Americans are almost twice as likely to live in poverty as the rest of the population. For the same year, the GAO reported that nearly 46 percent of Native households were overcrowded, a rate that was almost three times as high as the rest of the country. According to the 2009 Annual Homeless Assessment Report, American Indians make up less than one percent of the general population, but eight percent of the country's homeless population. Together, we must work to reverse this trend.

The time to move is now!

Motion by Tina Danforth that councilman DelaRosa receive cooperation from any relative entities within the Tribe, to help him put together a business plan to pursue the Homeway Homes Manufacturing Plant, which would include housing, land management, law office, TDHE or any other relevant entities within the Tribe, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried with one opposition:

Ayes: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth

Excused: Ed Delgado

For the record: Melinda J. Danforth stated, as stated in the meeting already I support the concept that's being presented verbally by the Councilman, but cannot support the expenditure of \$40,000 until a written plan of action is presented to the committee, as well as the finance committee. At this point there is no project or



proposal that's in writing that I've been requesting, but like I said I support the verbal concept of it but I'd like to just see something in writing prior to me giving it my stamp of approval.

**XV. Action in open session on items from Executive Session Discussion meeting of March 12, 2012**

**A. Reports**

**1. New York land claim settlement update – Ed Delgado/Diane House**

Motion by Patty Hoeft by to accept the verbal update from the Chairman, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens  
Abstained: Tina Danforth  
Excused: Ed Delgado

**2. Reorganization**

**a. Update and draft report to GTC– Ed Delgado/Diane House**

Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the two reorganization items to the next Business Committee meeting, seconded by Tina Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens  
Excused: Ed Delgado

**b. Supervision of each division recommendation – Tina Danforth**

**3. Chief Counsel report – Jo Anne House**

**a. Consideration of legislative amendments for personnel cases**

Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Chief Counsel's recommendations to send to the Legislative Operating Committee two personnel policies that need work regarding the ability of supervisors to address an area manager's appeal and the second is regarding clarification of the employee protection policy, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens  
Abstained: David Jordan  
Excused: Ed Delgado

**b. Approve Quarles & Brady LLP attorney contract**

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve Quarles & Brady LLP attorney contract, seconded by Tina Danforth. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens  
Abstained: David Jordan  
Excused: Ed Delgado

**4. Legislative Affairs monthly report – Nathan King, Legislative Affairs Director**

**a. Retro-approve National Republican Campaign Committee \$10,000 contribution**

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve a donation of \$30,000 to the National Republican Campaign Committee, seconded by Tina Danforth. Motion carried with two abstentions and two oppositions:

Ayes: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft  
Opposed: Melinda J. Danforth, David Jordan  
Abstained: Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens  
Excused: Ed Delgado

**b. Underground storage tank inspection process recommendation**

Motion by Patty Hoeft to refer this item to Retail and Environmental Health and Safety Division to work it out and accept as FYI, with a follow up report from both departments listed back to the Business Committee upon conclusion, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens  
Excused: Ed Delgado

**5. Bay Bank quarterly financial report – John Johnson**

Motion by Brandon Stevens to accept the Bay Bank quarterly financial report, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried with two abstentions:

Ayes: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens  
Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth, David Jordan  
Excused: Ed Delgado

Motion by Tina Danforth that the contract for Mr. Johnson be made available to the Business Committee by noon on Friday and that the contents of it shall kept confidential, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried with one opposition and two abstentions:

Ayes: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan  
Opposed: Brandon Stevens  
Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth, Paul Ninham  
Excused: Ed Delgado  
For the record: Brandon Stevens stated the proper channel would be to go through the Bay Bank board.  
For the record: Tina Danforth stated when Mr. Johnson gives his reports, he comes directly to the Business Committee and he is also a member of the bank board, so it's really a moot point.

**B. Audit Committee – Councilman Brandon Stevens, Chairman**

**1. Review of Oneida Resident Centered Care Community Audit**

Sponsor: Ed Delgado

Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer all the audit reports to the next Business Committee meeting, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens  
Excused: Ed Delgado

**2. Approve Jan. 19, 2012 Audit Committee regular meeting minutes**

**3. Internal Audit Jan. 19, 2012 report with attachment**

**4. Approve 2011 Gaming Contract Audit and lift the confidentiality requirement allowing Tribal members to view the audit**

**5. Approve Slots FY 2011 Audit and lift the confidentiality requirement allowing Tribal members to view the audit**

**6. Approve 2011 Contract Health Audit and lift the confidentiality requirement allowing Tribal members to view the audit**

**7. Approve Slot Drop Variance Audit, the second follow-up on Slot Variance adjustments and lift the confidentiality requirement allowing Tribal members to view the audit**

**8. Approve Oneida Golf Enterprise Audits and lift the confidentiality require allowing Tribal members to view the audit**

**C. Unfinished Business/BC directives**

**1. Re-designate Hobart strategy team**

Sponsor: Melinda J. Danforth



**Excerpt from Feb. 8, 2012:** Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer re-designate Hobart strategy team for 30 days, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried with one abstention.

Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer to the next Business Committee meeting, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado

**2. Proposal to create new corporation**

Sponsor: Butch Rentmeester, OTIE President

**Excerpt from Feb. 22, 2012:** Motion by Patty Hoeft to refer to Councilman DelaRosa to bring back recommendation in two weeks to the committee, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the resolution along with the agreement, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth.

Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth

For the record: Melinda J. Danforth stated that I support this initiative moving forward. I think it's a great example of the growth that we've expected OTIE to have over the years. We've had some challenges that OTIE's been able to overcome without actually coming back to the Tribe for some cash outlay and this is another example of our corporations thinking outside the box, trying to retain their earning within their corporation and not really trying to rely on the Tribe to inject funding into the corporation. So I appreciate this effort. I think that this is a good example of the growth of OTIE and I'm excited about it. Thank you for the effort and thanks for the committee, for the great debate-spirited debate, on Monday because this is exactly the type of debate and information that we need to have in order to move us forward and so that our board understands what the expectations of this committee is going to be when it comes to OTIE.

For the record: Tina Danforth I oppose the creation of a new corporation, based on the resolution which I believe has issues about conflicts of interests with the appointment of certain board members and I also believe the second resolve of this resolution creates a perceived 8A violation, based on money being utilized from one 8A to fund another 8A. To me that is not an appropriate course of action for this committee to be endorsing and I have other due diligence items that I had reviewed and discovered through my research, that I am not able to support this resolution at this time.

**3. Gaming General Manager contract recommendation**

Sponsor: Ed Delgado

**Excerpt from Feb. 22, 2012:** Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the report from the Chairman, with recommendations due back in two weeks, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the recommendation to extend the Gaming General Manager contract starting March 12, 2012 to June 30, 2012, seconded by Tina Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado

**4. Review casino renovation project**

Sponsor: Ed Delgado

**Excerpt from Feb. 22, 2012:** Amendment to the main motion by Vince Delarosa that we ask the Gaming General Manager provide a written follow-up in two week, on what direction they are going to go, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Paul Ninham to defer this item to the next Business Committee meeting, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado

**5. Green Bay Packers Corporate Partnership Proposal 2012**

Sponsor: Joanie Buckley

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the concept and ask that the contract be brought back to the committee for final approval, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado

**6. Hiring freeze clarification**

Sponsor: Joanie Buckley

Motion by Tina Danforth to continue the hiring freeze for all newly created positions and any unbudgeted positions. Positions that are vacant and are within their budgeted respective departments will be allowed and gaming and retail will be allowed to hire as need be and must be within their respective budgets for their departments, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried with two oppositions:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham

Opposed: Vince DelaRosa, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado

For the record:

**7. Bond Project Status**

Sponsor: Larry Barton

Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the report as information, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado

**D. New Business/Requests**

**1. Approve 41 new enrollments**

Sponsor: Melinda J. Danforth

Motion by Brandon Stevens to approve 41 new enrollments, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Tina Danforth

Excused: Ed Delgado

**2. Request Tidy View financial and performance analysis**

Sponsor: Ed Delgado

Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item to the Business Committee meeting for a report from the Interim Enterprise Division Director, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Tina Danforth

Excused: Ed Delgado

**E. Additions**



**1. Extend the Interim assignment for Michele Doxtator as Enterprise Division Director**

Motion by Tina Danforth to approve the extension for 90 days, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado

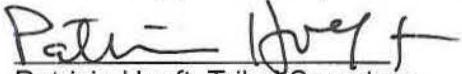
**XVI. Adjourn**

Motion by David Jordan to adjourn at 3:50 p.m., seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Ed Delgado

**Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on March 28, 2012.**



Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE