



Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid 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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**ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**MAY 9, 2001**  
**BUSINESS COMMITTEE CONFERENCE ROOM**

**PRESENT:** Gerald Danforth - Chair, Julie Barton - Secretary, Judy Cornelius- Treasurer, David Bischoff, Sandra Ninham, Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham, Eugene Metoxen- Council Members

**EXCUSED:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Brad Graham, Bill Graham, Karen Cornelius, Kitty Melchert, Yvonne Skenandore, Barb Truttman, Bridget A. Long, Racquel Hill, Pearl Webster, Mike Finn, Dale Wheelock, Ben Vieau, Erv Thompson, Justine Skenadore, Earl Metoxen and Chris Doxtator

**OPENING:** Charlie Doxtator\Judy Cornelius

**I. CALL TO ORDER BY GERALD DANFORTH AT 9:00 A.M**

**II. OATH OF OFFICE - Administered by Paul Ninham**

**Oneida Arts Board**

Inez Thomas-NOT PRESENT

JoAnne Gauthier-NOT PRESENT

**Oneida Personnel Commission**

Mary Hill-NOT PRESENT

**Oneida Pow wow Committee**

Benjamin Vieau-PRESENT

**Anna John Nursing Home Commission**

Carol Silva-PRESENT

Yvonne Skenandore-PRESENT

**Oneida Election Board**

Justine Skenadore-PRESENT

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**A. ADDITIONS:**

**TO NEW BUSINESS, REQUESTS:**

3 Judy Cornelius RE: Water Recycling/Treatment System

**TO EXECUTIVE SESSION, NEW BUSINESS:**

15 Cheryl Skolaski RE: Four (4) Relinquishments

**B. DELETIONS:**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION OLD BUSINESS NUMBER TWO MOVED TO OLD BUSINESS NUMBER TWELVE.**

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO APPROVE THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY JUDY CORNELIUS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**IV. MINUTES TO BE APPROVED:**

Special Business Committee Meeting Minutes of April 25, 2001

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO APPROVE ITEMS 1, 2,3 AND DEFER ITEM 4 TO EXECUTIVE SESSION NEW BUSINESS ITEM TWELVE, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. EUGENE METOXEN ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

Regular Business Committee Meeting Minutes of May 2, 2001

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**V. TABLED BUSINESS:**

Regular Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of March 30, 2001

**Excerpt from April 18, 2001: MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO TABLE THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from May 2, 2001: REMAINS ON THE TABLE**

**Excerpt from May 9, 2001: REMAINS ON THE TABLE**

**2 ONEIDA LAND COMMISSION: 1st Wednesday of the Month - Jeff Mears**

**Excerpt from May 2, 2001: MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO TABLE THE MARCH 19, 2001 MINUTES UNTIL LAND MANAGEMENT IS AVAILABLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS, SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due May 9, 2001**

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO TAKE THIS ITEM FROM THE TABLE, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO APPROVE THE MARCH 19, 2001 MINUTES AND ADDENDUM A OF MARCH 12, 2001, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**VI. REPORTS**

- A. HOTEL CORPORATION - (QUARTERLY:  
NOVEMBER/FEBRUARY/MAY/AUGUST) 2nd Wednesday of the Month -  
Pat Lassila**

**Report submitted**

**MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO APPROVE THE MAY 3, 2001 MINUTES, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- B. APPEALS COMMISSION - (JAN 10/APR 10/JULY 10/OCT 9)  
2nd Wednesday of the Month - Kirby Metoxen**

- C. ONEIDA TRIBAL SCHOOL BOARD - 3rd Wednesday of the Month - Shirley Hill -Interim**
- D. HOUSING AUTHORITY - 4th Wednesday of the Month - Lois Powless**
- E. ONCOA - 4th Wednesday of the Month - Clifford Doxtator**
- F. ONEIDA GAMING COMMISSION - (QUARTERLY: JAN/APR/JULY/OCT) 2nd Wednesday of the Month - Shirley Hill**
- G. ONEIDA LAND COMMISSION: 1st Wednesday of the Month - Jeff Mears**
- H. ONEIDA UTILITIES COMMISSION: 3rd Wednesday of the Month - (MONTHLY) - Fred Muskavich - Interim**
- I. ONEIDA SEVEN GENERATION CORPORATION (QUARTERLY: JAN APR/JULY/OCT)-Larry Barton - 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday**
- J. ONEIDA NATION ELECTRONICS: 4th Wednesday of the Month - Sherri King**
- K. TRAVEL REPORTS**
- L. FOLLOW UP REPORTS/BC DIRECTIVES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. RESOLUTIONS**

Mike Finn

RE: Change the Oneida Nations Road Construction Contracts from Metric Units to English Units, requested by the BIA Roads Division

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO SEND THE DRAFT RESOLUTION TO THE LOC FOR A STATEMENT OF EFFECT, BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **B. REQUESTS**

Julie Barton

RE: Recommendation for the Oneida Trust Committee

**MOTION BY PAUL NINHAM TO APPROVE APPOINTING VERA WILSON TO THE ONEIDA TRUST COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. JUDY CORNELIUS ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

2 Bradley Graham

RE: Action on the GTC Resolution on payment for college or university, clarification on Bill item

**MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO ACCEPT THIS AS FYI, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. EUGENE METOXEN ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO DIRECT THE GENERAL MANAGER TO DIRECT THE AREA MANAGER TO ADDRESS BRAD GRAHAM'S CONCERNS, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3 Judy Cornelius

RE: Water Recycling/Treatment System

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO REQUEST THE GENERAL MANAGER TO FOLLOW UP ON THIS ITEM, BRING BACK IN THREE WEEKS, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. VINCE DELAROSA, SANDRA NINHAM ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

Vince DelaRosa arrives at 9:45 a.m.

**C. TRAVEL REQUESTS**

**D. VACATION REQUESTS**

**VIII. FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**IX. LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE**

FOR APPROVAL:

LOC Meeting Minutes of April 05, 2001

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 5, 2001, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2. FOR APPROVAL

Public Hearing Minutes and Comments of April 05, 2001 Re: Oneida TB Resolution Amendments

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO DEFER ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY VINCE**

**DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. FOR APPROVAL: Oneida Burial Endowment Fund Policy, Resolution and Statement of Effect

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 5-9-01-A ,  
SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. FOR APPROVAL: Emergency Amendment Resolution and Statement of Effect for the Education Resolution GTC

**MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 5-9-01-B, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**X. TREASURERS REPORT- 4th Wednesday of the Month - Judy Cornelius**

**XI. ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE CAUCUS\PLANNING**

**GAMING COMMISSION**

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO RECESS UNTIL 10:00 A.M.**

Tina Danforth arrived for Executive Session.  
Paul Ninham was excused from Executive Session

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A. OLD BUSINESS**

- 1 Shirley Hill/Bill Gollnick RE: Non-compliance/Background Investigations

**Excerpt from March 21, 2001: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO DEFER THIS ITEM TO SHIRLEY HILL AND BILL GOLLNICK TO REPORT BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from April 4, 2001: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO ACCEPT THE STATUS REPORT FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER, AND THAT HE PROVIDE A FINAL REPORT, BACK IN ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. VINCE DELAROSA ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Excerpt from April 18, 2001: MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED**

**UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from May 2, 2001: MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due May 9, 2001**

**MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO ACCEPT THE DRAFT II REPORT FROM THE GAMING COMMISSION AS FYI, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO ASSIGN SANDRA NINHAM TO WORK WITH THE GAMING COMMISSION ON THE EMERGENCY ACTION OF GAMING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS WITH A REPORT BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. TINA DANFORTH, SANDRA NINHAM ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

2. Vince DelaRosa

RE: Personnel Discussion

**Excerpt from April 18, 2001: MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Excerpt from May 2, 2001: MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY JUDY CORNELIUS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Response due May 9, 2001**

**Combined with new business item 12.**

**B. NEW BUSINESS**

Peggy Schneider

RE: NRDA update

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO ACCEPT THE NRDA UPDATE REPORT, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Pat Lassila

RE: Radisson Hotel & Conference Center  
Expansion Update

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO ACCEPT THE REPORT, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. Rory Dilweg

RE: Contracts for Attorneys Peggy Schneider and Nelsen Wahlstrom

**MOTION BY TINA DANFORTH TO DENY THE REQUEST TO APPROVE THE CONTRACTS, THEY DO NOT HAVE A LEGAL REVIEW, NOR IS THERE CONSIDERATION FOR EVALUATION FOR WORKLOAD OR OTHER ITEMS THAT WOULD MAKE THIS RELATIVE, WE'RE IN A BUDGET CONSTRAINT PROCESS, SECONDED BY JUDY CORNELIUS. DAVID BISCHOFF, SANDRA NINHAM, JULIE BARTON OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO ASSIGN THE ATTORNEY CONTRACT ISSUE TO THE CHAIR OF THE LOC TO AMEND THE HEWITT CONTRACT TO INCLUDE A TRIBAL WIDE COMPENSATION SYSTEM TO BE BROUGHT BACK IN TWO WEEKS TO THE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. TINA DANFORTH, DAVID BISCHOFF OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED.**

4. Julie Barton

RE: Oneida Notebooks

**MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO DIRECT THE LAW OFFICE TO CONTACT THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN IN ACCORDANCE TO THE MEMORANDUM, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. Judy Cornelius

RE: Approval to seek external assistance/expertise to assist with analytical assessment of upper echelon of organizational structure

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO ASSIGN THE LOC CHAIR TO AMEND THE HEWITT CONTRACT TO INCLUDE AN EVALUATION\ASSESSMENT OF UPPER MANAGEMENT POSITIONS OF THE ORGANIZATION, BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. SANDRA NINHAM, TINA DANFORTH ABSTAINED.**

For the Record, Tina Danforth expected those amendments to come back to the Business Committee table.

6. Judy Cornelius

RE: Concerns raised by the Post Office

**MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO ASSIGN THE GENERAL MANAGER TO BRING AN ASSESSMENT BACK IN 30 DAYS, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. SANDRA NINHAM ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**



7 Judy Cornelius

RE: Lambeau Field Time Clock Contract

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO ASSIGN THIS ITEM TO THE TREASURER TO WORK OUT THE PAYMENTS WITH JOINT MARKETING EFFORTS OF TRIBAL DEPARTMENTS, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. MOTION CARRIED.**

8. Terry Cornelius

RE: Lindquist & Vennum Contract

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE LINDQUIST & VENNUM CONTRACT WITH FUNDS COMING FROM THE FINANCE OFFICE BUDGET, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. JUDY CORNELIUS ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

Tina Danforth excused herself from Executive Session

9. Julie Barton

RE: Business Committee Retreat Minutes of May 4, 2001

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO ACCEPT THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE RETREAT MINUTES OF MAY 4, 2001 AND DIRECT THE SECRETARY TO FOLLOW UP WITH THE ITEMS AND DIRECT KEVIN TO PRESENT AT THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE MORNING UPDATE MEETING, RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SELECTING A LOBBYIST IN MADISON, AND THEN BRING THIS RECOMMENDATION ITEM BACK TO THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE AGENDA UNDER THE LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS SECTION FOR ACTION, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. JULIE BARTON ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

10. Julie Barton

RE: Tax Issues

**MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO SEND AMENDMENT TO THE PER CAPITA TAX TO THE LOC, SECONDED BY JUDY CORNELIUS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

1 David Bischoff

RE: Audit Committee Recommendations

**MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO APPROVE THE PATRICK BERO CONSULTANT AGREEMENT OF MAY 9, 2001, NUMBER 2001358 TO BE IMPLEMENTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

12. Julie Barton

RE: Human Resource Director Position

**MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL MEETING**

**MINUTES OF APRIL 25, 2001, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO RESCIND ITEM 4 FROM THE SPECIAL BUSINESS COMMITTEE MINUTES OF APRIL 25, 2001, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO PUT A FREEZE ON THE HRD DIRECTOR POSITION INDEFINITELY UNTIL OUR RELEVANT LAWS AND PROCESSES ARE AMENDED SUFFICIENTLY TO ADDRESS THAT ISSUE, SECONDED BY JUDY CORNELIUS. DAVID BISCHOFF ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

13 Julie Barton

RE: Bay Bank Meeting Minutes of May 3, 2001

**MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO ACCEPT THE MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 3, 2001, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

14. LOC

RE: Contract Amendment for the Legislative Operating Committee Attorney Specific to Employment Dates

**MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO APPROVE THE DATE CHANGE AS NOTED IN HANDOUT, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

15 Cheryl Skolaski

RE: Four (4) Relinquishments

**MOTION BY EUGENE METOXEN TO APPROVE THE RELINQUISHMENTS OF YVONNE LOIS CREAPEAU, DAVID D. DOXTATER, JERUSHA KOSHAH AND ROBERT D. SCHUYLER, SECONDED BY VINCE DELAROSA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **C. ATTORNEY BRIEF**

Discontinuation of OIGRC Email Address

2. NWTC Sales Tax

Staff Attorney Position - Update

**MOTION BY JUDY CORNELIUS TO APPROVE THE REPORT, SECONDED BY**

**EUGENE METOXEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**D. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS UPDATE**

1 Michlyn Zagar

**MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO APPROVE THE REPORT, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO DIRECT THE ONEIDA GAMING COMMISSION DEVELOP COMMENTS ON THE IGRA AMENDMENT ISSUES S832 , BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY JUDY CORNELIUS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO DIRECT LAND MANAGEMENT TO DEVELOP COMMENTS ON THE LAND INTO TRUST ISSUE, BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**E. OAK RIDGE PLAZA AT 3:45 P.M.**

**F. NATIVE AMERICAN BANK CORPORATION WEEKLY UPDATES**

**MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO ACCEPT AS FYI, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY EUGENE METOXEN TO DIRECT JUDY CORNELIUS AND TERRY CORNELIUS TO PROVIDE AN OPINION OF THE BUSINESS PLAN FOR THE NATIVE AMERICAN BANK, BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. JUDY CORNELIUS ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**G. AUDIT COMMITTEE**

**XVII. RECESS/ADJOURN**

**MOTION BY VINCE DELAROSA TO ADJOURN, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MINUTES APPROVED AS CORRECTED ON May 16, 2001.**



Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary

**ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE**