



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 MINUTES

May 28, 2008

Business Committee Conference Room

Present:	Gerald Danforth - Chair	Trish King - Council member
	Kathy Hughes - Vice Chair	Paul Ninham - Council member
	Mercie Danforth - Treasurer	Vince DelaRosa - Council member
	Patty Hoeft - Secretary	Melinda J. Danforth - Council member
		Edward Delgado - Council member

Excused:

Others Present: Beth Bashara, Kitty Melchert, Winnifred Thomas, Stacey Nieto, Barb Dickson, D. Doxtator, Nathan Smith, Judith Spencer, Theresa Reed, Eric McLester, P. Escamea, Linda Glaser, K. Summers, Mindimoye, Floyd Silas Sr., Julie McLester, Sharon Mousseau, Susan White, Carol Johnson, Barb Skenandore, Jasmin Webster, Daniel Gutierrez, Gina Buenrostro, Pearl McLester, Pete King, Carol Smith, C.J. Doxtator, Tina Danforth, Michele Doxtator, Lee Ninham, Peril Huff, Julie Denny, Tim Ninham, Becky Webster

Opening Prayer: Lakwaho McLester

Special Recognitions: Oneida Nation High School Iroquois Music Group
Oneida Nation High School System
administered by Melinda J. Danforth

Crystal Holtz 25 Years of service
administered by Lloyd Powless

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Gerald Danforth at 9:57 a.m.
2. **Oath of Office**

Oneida Nation Veteran Affairs Committee

Nathan Smith administered by Patty Hoeft on May 28, 2008

Oneida Library Board

Lori Elm - not present

Roxanne M. Anderson administered by Patty Hoeft on May 28, 2008

Seven Generations Corporation Board

Mike J. Metoxen administered by Patty Hoeft on May 28, 2008

Oneida Election Board

Elizabeth Steinfeldt administered by Ed Delgado on May 27, 2008

Oneida Personnel Committee

Stacy Nieto administered by Patty Hoeft May 28, 2008

Eric Krawczyk administered by Patty Hoeft May 28, 2008

Amy Fluette administered by Vince DelaRosa May 21, 2008

Oneida Pow Wow Committee

Tonya Webster administered by Vince DelaRosa May 21, 2008

SEOTS

Pamela F. Ninham - not present

Al Fabien administered by Vince DelaRosa May 27, 2008

Jacklyn Ruff administered by Vince DelaRosa May 27, 2008

3. Approval of the Agenda

a. Additions - none

b. Deletions - Requests: #5. Re: Lance Broberg to Tourism Board, #6. Re: Judy Cornelius petition update, #7. Re: Madelyn Genskow petition update, #9. Re: Post one vacancy on the Oneida Pow Wow Committee for the expiring term of Christine Klimment, and #10. Re: "Like Positions" Report

c. Moves - Executive Session Old Business #1 Re: StrateGlobe to Regular Session Request #5, from: Executive Session Old Business #2 Re: Purchasing and sign off authority procedures to Regular Session Request #6.

Action : Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the agenda with the following changes noted for the record: (1.) Elizabeth Steinfeld was sworn in May 27, 2008 by Councilman Delgado for the Oneida Election Board (2.) deletion of New Business Requests items 5, 6, 7, 9, and 10; move item 1 and 2 from Executive Session old business into Regular Session under Requests 5 and

6, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Minutes to be Approved

April 30, 2008 Business Committee minutes

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the April 30, 2008 minutes to the June 11, 2008 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

May 14, 2008 Business Committee Minutes

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the May 14, 2008 Business Committee minutes to June 11, 2008 for correction to page 8 of 13 deleting the word "approve" under request 10, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

May 16, 2008 Special Business Committee Minutes

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the May 16, 2008 Special Business Committee minutes, seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Mercie Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham. Abstained: Trish King. Motion carried.

May 21, 2008 Special Business Committee Minutes

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the May 21, 2008 Special Business Committee minutes, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Kathy Hughes, Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham. Abstained: Trish King, Mercie Danforth. Motion carried.

5. Tabled Business

1. Gerald Danforth

RE: Recommendation for Oneida Child Protective Board

Excerpt from May 14, 2008: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to table recommendation of Norma M. Brzezinski to the Oneida Child Protective Board, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Remains on table.

6. Reports

a. Bay Bank (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov)

Steven D. Jennerjohn - 2nd Meeting of the Month

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Bay Bank quarterly report, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Oneida Personnel Commission (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov)
Gina Buenrostro - 2nd Meeting of the Month

Excerpt from May 14, 2008: Motion by Ed Delgado to defer the Oneida Personnel Commission quarterly report to the May 28, 2008 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the Oneida Personnel Commission quarterly report, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Oneida Housing Authority (Monthly)
Susan House

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Oneida Housing Authority monthly report, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Deldado, Vince DelaRosa, Kathy Hughes, Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Paul Ninham. Abstained: Mercie Danforth. Motion carried.

7. **Travel Reports**

1. Melinda Danforth

RE: ITMA (InterTribal Monitoring Association) Albuquerque, New Mexico April 22-26, 2008

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the ITMA travel report and recommend Oneida to continue to monitor this project and be prepared to analyze the final report and its impact on Oneida, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Kathy Hughes

RE: DHH/MAST Consultation, Mt Pleasant, MI May 6-8, 2008

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the DHH/MAST consultation report, seconded by Trish King. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Mercie Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Paul Ninham. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

3. Gerald Danforth

RE: NRCCC Retreat, Bedford, PA May 1-3, 2008

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the National Republican Congressional Campaign Committee Retreat travel report, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings

1. Debbie Thundercloud RE: Oneida Arts Board report

Excerpt from May 14, 2008: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the Oneida Arts Board report to the May 28 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to accept the Oneida Arts Board report and approve the posting noting that this is a board that receives no stipends, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Debbie Thundercloud RE: Requesting Approval of the Resolution for the Oneida Nation Farm to be realigned under the Enterprise Division and the Business Development Unit to be realigned under the C.F.O. per the March 8, 2008 BC action at the March 8 Planning Committee Mtg.

Excerpt from April 30, 2008: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item to the May Business Committee Planning meeting on how to carry out and have the General Manager bring the report back, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Trish King to defer the request back to the General Manager for finalization for more clarification back to the June 11 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Patty Hoeft RE: Petition to increase the Education Scholarship

Excerpt from May 14, 2008: Motion by Ed Delgado to refer the petition to increase the Education Scholarship to the Tribal Secretary's office and report to the May 28 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the petition regarding increasing the Education Scholarship to the June 11 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Vince DelaRosa RE: Approval of Stand Alone Policy for Business Committee Political Appointments

Excerpt from April 30, 2008: Motion by Patty Hoefft to defer the Stand Alone Policy for Business Committee Political Appointments to the May 28 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoefft to accept the Stand Alone Policy for Business Committee political appointments report with an update report to the June 11 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Patty Hoefft, Mercie Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham. Opposed: Ed Delgado, Trish King. Motion carried.

5. Vince DelaRosa RE: Approval of Business Committee Assistants' Standard Employment Contract

Excerpt from April 30, 2008: Motion by Patty Hoefft to defer the approval of Business Committee assistants' Standard Employment Contract to the May 28 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept the Business Committee assistants, Standard Employment Contract report and that it be brought back to the June 11, 2008 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Patty Hoefft, Ed Delgado, Vince DelaRosa, Kathy Hughes, Melinda J. Danforth, Paul Ninham. Opposed: Mercie Danforth, Trish King. Motion carried.

6. Vince DelaRosa RE: Approval of Standard Operating Procedures for Hiring of Business Political Appointments

Excerpt from April 30, 2008: Motion by Kathy Hughes to defer approval of Standard Operating Procedures for hiring of Business Committee political appointments to the May 28 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept the Standard Operating Procedures for hiring of Business Committee political appointments with a report brought back to the June 11 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Patty Hoefft. For: Patty Hoefft, Ed Delgado, Kathy Hughes, Melinda J. Danforth, Paul Ninham, Vince DelaRosa. Opposed: Mercie Danforth, Trish King. Motion carried.

meeting agenda the Oneida Housing Authority rent calculations and that we add the draft ordinance to restructure the Oneida Housing Authority program starting May 30, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the General Manager to give the Business Committee a status report on May 30, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to recess until 1:30 p.m., seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Back in Regular Session at 1:32 p.m.

3. Debbie Thundercloud RE: Food Distribution/Pantry Transfer from Development Division to GSD

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to accept the Food Distribution/Pantry transfer from the Development Division to Governmental Service Division as FYI, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Debbie Thundercloud, RE: Duck Creek Trail (CIP #06-004)
Fred Muscavich development - FYI

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to accept the Duck Creek Trail (CIP #06-004) Development as FYI, seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Mercie Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Vince DelaRosa, Melinda J. Danforth, Paul Ninham. Abstained: Trish King. Motion carried.

5. Debbie Thundercloud RE: StrateGlobe Contract

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the Treasurer to provide a report on a monthly basis to the Business Committee listing all contracts and purchases that are \$250,000 or more starting June 25, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Mercie Danforth RE: Purchasing and Sign Off Authority Procedures

Excerpt from May 14, 2008: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the Treasurer to explain to the Business Committee at the May 28 Business Committee meeting how the purchasing procedures work and to identify sign off authority procedures and to identify the positions of management and Business Committee members and their sign off authority, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Kathy Hughes, Vince DelaRosa, Abstained: Mercie Danforth. Motion carried.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the request to explain the purchasing and sign off authority procedures to the June 11 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Patty Hoeft RE: Request to add Audit Committee final OHA report to the Special Business Committee agenda on May 30

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve adding the Audit Committee final OHA report to the Special Business Committee agenda on May 30, seconded by Patty Hoeft. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Kathy Hughes, Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Paul Ninham, Vince DelaRosa. Abstained: Mercie Danforth. Motion carried.

8. Gerald Danforth RE: Environmental Resource Board Recommendations

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the appointments of Richard Baird, Nicole Morrain, Tom Oudenhoven and Jennifer Jourdan to the Environmental Resource Board, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Gerald Danforth RE: Brown County Service Agreement

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the Brown County Service Agreement, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Travel Requests

1. Debbie Danforth RE: Request procedural exception for travel policy to allow 4 school system staff to attend BIE Summer Reading Institute in Bloomington, MN June 9-12, 2008

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the procedural exception to allow for four school system staff to attend the BIE summer reading institute in Bloomington, MN, June 9 through 12, 2008, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Finance Committee - none

11. Legislative Operating Committee (LOC)

1. Vince DelaRosa RE: Approval of LOC meeting minutes of May 5, 2008

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the LOC meeting minutes of May 5, 2008, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Vince DelaRosa RE: Approval of LOC meeting minutes of May 19, 2008

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the LOC meeting minutes of May 19, 2008, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Vince DelaRosa RE: Extension of the Emergency Adoption of GTC meeting stipend payment policy

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to adopt Resolution 5-28-08-C Extension of the Emergency adoption of GTC meeting stipend payment policy, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Treasurer's Report - none

13. Oneida Business Committee Planning - none

14. Executive Staff Meeting - none

15. Legislative Affairs Update

1. Voices for Oneida Conduit Update - FYI

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the Voices for Oneida conduit as FYI, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Paul Ninham, Vince DelaRosa, Kathy Hughes, Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Approval of Special Committee on State Tribal Relations Nomination Request

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to re-appoint Vince DelaRosa to the special committee on State Tribal Relations, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Paul Ninham, Kathy Hughes, Vince DelaRosa. Opposed: Mercie Danforth. Motion carried.

16. Executive Session

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft go into executive session at 2:15 p.m., seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Kathy Hughes chaired meeting.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to come out of executive session at 4:20 p.m., seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

a. Tabled Business

1. Bill Gollnick RE: Request additional funding FY08 - Arlinda Locklear contract from April through September 2008 (9th amendment)

Excerpt from May 14, 2008: Motion by Mercie Danforth to table request for additional funding FY08 - Arlinda Locklear contract from April through September 2008, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to take this item from the table, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the ninth amendment extending the Arlinda Locklear contract to Sept. 30, 2008, not to exceed \$200,000; seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Ed Delgado RE: Town of Oneida address/signs reconsideration

Excerpt from May 14, 2008: Motion by Mercie Danforth to table Town of Oneida address fire signs reconsideration, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to take this item from the table, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to refer the Town of Oneida signs to the Chief of Staff to incorporate into the renewal of the Town of Oneida Service Agreements, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Old Business - none

c. New Business

1. Patty Hoeft RE: Approval of 62 New Enrollment Applicants

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve 62 new enrollment applicants, seconded by Paul Ninham. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Mercie Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Paul Ninham. Abstained: Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried.

2. Mercie Danforth

RE: Thornberry Creek Update

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to recess this item regarding the Thornberry Creek update until Thursday, May 29, 2008, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to go back into regular session at 3:05 p.m. on May 29, 2008, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the Chair to sign the Letter of Intent as recommended for the acquisition of Thornberry Creek Golf Course, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to direct the Tribal Chairman to call a Special General Tribal Council meeting for June 28, 2008 for General Tribal Council to consider the asset purchase agreement for Thornberry Creek Golf Course, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Debbie Thundercloud
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RE: Oneida Total Integrated Enterprises
Business Activity Report

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Oneida Total Intergrated Enterprises business activity status report, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to post the three vacancies for the Oneida Total Integrated Enterprises Board, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Legislative Affairs Update

1. Retro-approve Wood Communications Group Contract

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to retro-approve the Wood Communications Group contract for \$30,000.00 and to authorize a limited wavier of sovereign immunity, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Paul Ninham, Vince DelaRosa. Opposed: Mercie Danforth. Motion carried.

e. Attorney Brief - none

f. Audit Committee

1. Ed Delgado

RE: Information Security Audit

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to defer the information security audit to the June 11 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

g. Oneida Enterprise Development Authority

1. Joanie Buckley RE: Reconcile Invoices
OEDA

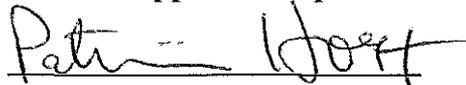
Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to authorize payment of \$516,330.00 to Power Plant for pre-development costs, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Note: Recessed at 4:27 p.m. on May 28, 2008

Recess/Adjourn

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to adjourn at 3:10 p.m. on May 29, 2008, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on June 11, 2008



**Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE**