



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 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

December 23, 2008

1:30 p.m.

Business Committee Conference Room

**Members:** Rick Hill - Chair  
Kathy Hughes - Vice Chair  
Tina Danforth - Treasurer  
Edward Delgado - Council member  
Melinda J. Danforth - Council member  
Brandon Stevens - Council member  
Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. - Council member

**Excused:** Patty Hoeft – Secretary, Trish King - Council member

**Others Present:**

**Opening Prayer:** Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Rick Hill at 1:35 p.m.
2. **Approval of the Agenda**
  - a. Additions
  - b. Deletions
  - c. Moves

**Action:** Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve to the agenda and to defer the Oneida Child Protective Board recommendations to the Jan 14 Business Committee because there is no resolution, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

### 3. Regular Session

1. Neil Cornelius RE: Gaming recommendations

**Action:** Motion by Ed Delgado to accept the gaming recommendations as FYI, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to lift the moratorium to proceed to identify the vendor for the gaming recommendations, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Rick Hill RE: Re-post Oneida Police Commission vacancies

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to re-post the Oneida Police Commission vacancies, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Rick Hill RE: Oneida Child Protective Board recommendations

Action: No action.

4. Rick Hill RE: Oneida Land Commission recommendations

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the recommendation to appoint Orville Cornelius Sr. to the Oneida Land Commission, seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Ed Delgado, Kathy Hughes, Tina Danforth, Brandon Stevens Abstain: Ron "Tehassi" Hill. Motion carried.

5. Rick Hill RE: Oneida Pow Wow Committee recommendation

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the recommendation to appoint Mike S. King to the Oneida Pow Wow Committee, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Trish King RE: Amendment to LOC bylaws

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the amendment to the LOC bylaws under section 5 meetings section 1 regular meetings shall read "regular meetings." The LOC shall approve the schedule at a meeting called by the chair in the month on January to set the dates for the LOC meetings for the calendar year, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

### **3. Executive Session**

Action: Motion by Brandon Stevens to go into executive session at 2:24 p.m, seconded by Tina Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to come out of executive session at 2:45 p.m., seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Rick Hill

RE: Oneida Total Integrated Enterprises  
recommendations

- Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to adopt Resolution 12-23-08-A Amending the Oneida Total Integrated Enterprises operating agreement to expand the board from three to five members, seconded by Tina Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
- Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the operating agreement amendment, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.
- Action: Motion by Tina Danforth to approve the following with staggered terms beginning with Bruce Danforth, Jeff House terms expiring 2010, Butch Reentmeester, Dwight Gourneau terms expiring 2011 and Tom Wilbur term expire 2012, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Kathy Hughes, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi" Hill. Abstain: Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried.

**Recess/Adjourn**

- Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to adjourn at 2:45p.m., seconded by Tina Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

**Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on January 28, 2009.**

  
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Patricia Hoefft, Tribal Secretary  
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE