



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, Inc.

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UGWA DEHOLUN YATENE  
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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SPECIAL MEETING  
April 2, 1979  
9 a.m.

Present: Chrmn. Purcell Powless, Secretary Patricia Misikin, Members: Mark Powless, Loretta Metoxen and Margaret Doxtater  
Also present: Francis Skenandore, Chas. Wheelock, Paul Skenandore Ed Baginski

Meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. Purpose of the meeting was to meet with Paul Skenandore regarding the Kali Wisaks operation and funding of his salary.

Loretta asked for a verbal report. Paul indicated that the circulation of the paper was 650 when he began and is now 760. The cost was 10¢ per copy and is now 25¢. The distribution goes to 36-38 states and Canada.

Question was asked as to why the Editor's position was deleted from the ANA budget. Paul expressed some of the conflicts he has experienced as Editor. Lengthy discussion ensued on reasons why his salary was cut from the ANA budget, why some support has been lost from a couple of the local school districts and why it is not feasible for the paper and the salary to be self-sufficient.

Paul stated that the editorial policy must stay with the Editor and that the policy is gauged by readership. In addition, he feels his salary should be under Administration.

Loretta moved that the Editor continue funded by the Tribe subject to a letter from the Business Committee to the General Tribal Council that letters from the membership not be published that relate to persons rather than to issues. Pat seconded. Mark amended the motion that any information be truthful and accurate. Question was asked of the Controller as to where the money would come from. The Controller indicated that the money could come from indirect costs, from modification of the ANA budget for more money, or, ultimately, from bingo receipts. The salary is \$8999.95. Vote was 3 for and 1 opposed. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTING OFFICE: Ed Baginski presented a memo relating to a raise for Alma Webster to \$5.50 based on her ability, loyalty and knowledge and that the raise be effective immediately. Loretta moved to approve the request. Pat seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Next item of discussion ensued with Francis Skenandore about the Partnership contract. Francis stated that if the Tribe plans to go ahead with Partnership that we submit one contract rather than two whereby they will be held to both parts of the agreement. He felt that the Tribe should not go with Partnership. Mark presented information regarding Partnership and felt that we should honor Francis' recommendation. Discussion ensued about our SBA loan. Loretta moved that we not pursue a contract with Partnership and, further, that we not notify Partnership until we investigate the status of the SBA proposal. Mark seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Mark will do the follow-up on the proposal.

Francis indicated that we had received a judgment regarding the Floyd Janssen case and recommended that we consider pursuing the case on trespass charges and include the other farmer who helped Floyd Janssen remove the crop. Loretta moved that we accept the judgment amounting to approximately \$232 and pursue trespassing charges against the two farmers. Margaret seconded. Vote was 3 for and 1 opposed (Mark). For the record, Mark stated that he feels we should send the judgment back and go after both issues in court.

Francis indicated that the Removal Ordinance was in rough draft and ready to be typed if the Business Committee was still willing to adopt such an ordinance. The first part of the ordinance provides procedure for removal of a Business Committee member on the grounds of missing 4 consecutive regular monthly meetings and also for the Treasurer not being bonded or for refusing to be bonded. The other part would be removal of a Business Committee member by the General Tribal Council body. General consensus indicated concurrence with adopting the ordinance. Francis will have the ordinance typed for presentation at the special meeting on April 11, 1979.

Next item of discussion concerned Iroquois Farms. Chas. indicated that the trainee, Harvey Cornelius, quit. Discussion ensued about the Hannahville operation. Chas. had been requesting funds from either the Tribe or from outside organizations to continue or expand farm operations. Action on the record was that he submit a definitive report of operations to date, including a financial statement. Loretta volunteered to assist Chas. in an evaluation of the farm operations for a period of two weeks, 10 working days. Mark also volunteered.

Pat moved to adjourn. Margaret seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



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Patricia Misikin, Tribal Secretary