



Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid them.

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UGWA DEMOLUH 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.

SPECIAL MEETING

THURSDAY, MAY 24, 1984

Meeting called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Chairman Purcell Powless

Present: Purcell Powless-Chairman, Richard Hill-Vice-Chairman, Kathy Hughes-Treasurer, L. Gordon McLester-Secretary, Lois Powless, Lloyd Powless, Mark Powless, Tony Benson-Council Members.

Excused: Loretta V. Metoxen-Council Member

Others: Charlene Cornelius, Bob Smith, Jerry Hill, Barbara Hawkins, Dale Wheelock
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RECORDS MANAGEMENT UPDATE - Charlene Cornelius & Bob Smith

The program has been having a problem with BIA not approving the funding on a timely basis. Just recently the Tribe was informed of the approval of the funding. The general goals such as records retention, disposition schedules, securing safe and suitable quarters and setting up shelving and equipment have been moved back on their time table. This will call for an extension of the contract and completion date. Bob Smith will prepare a request for an extension to the BIA. The program will begin operating out of the Seminary by the end of June, 1984. Tony requested an updated time table for the project now that the funds are forthcoming.

260-MUSEUM BOARD APPOINTMENT - Lloyd Powless

Judy McDaniels recently resigned from the board and Lloyd recommended the appointment of Loren Moore.

Mark moved to approve the recommendation. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

POLICIES & GUIDELINES FOR THE MUSEUM

The Business Committee reviewed the Policies & Guidelines and had a question about the meaning of the Tribal Charter listed under organization.

Lois moved to have the Law Office review the Tribal Charter item and give the Business Committee their comments. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

150-1985 COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH PROPOSAL - Barbara Hawkins

- Resolution #5-²4-84-A

The Business Committee reviewed the proposal but the Health Board had not met as of yet for their review and approval.

10:00 Purcell had to leave for Headstart Graduation.

Mark moved to approve the Health Proposal contingent on approval of the Health Board. Gordon seconded. Lois abstained. Motion carried.

HEALTH BOARD MINUTES OF 4-23-84

Kathy moved to approve the 4-23-84 minutes. Lloyd seconded. Mark abstained. Motion carried.

DATE OF THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

Mark moved to set the date for the Semi-annual Meeting to July 2, 1984 at 7:00 P.M at the Seminary.

Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

200-LAND OFFICE RECOMMENDATIONS, MAY 14, 1984

1. Lois moved to approve application of David Danforth for land on County "U" next to Lee Danforth. Tony seconded. Motion carried.
2. Kathy moved to approve application of Tom and Claudia Danforth for land on "EE" (former Daniel Shenandoah) and allow them to begin work on the land prior to paperwork completion). Tony seconded. Motion carried.
3. Lois moved to approve proposed agricultural lease of Merlin Cornelius for Ambrosius land on "EE". Resolution #5-24-84-D. Tony seconded. Motion carried.
4. Tony moved to approve a resolution to acquire the trust acquisition of the Vande Hei property. Resolution # 5-24-84-B. Lois seconded. Motion carried.
5. Lois moved to allow Ron Melchert to begin his tree planting business on Mike Melcherts leased land for one (1) year and in the meantime, he will look for another site to expand his business. Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.
6. The Land Committee recommended to extend the Cornelius farm agreement from 2 years to 5 years. Kathy moved to deny the request, Gordon seconded. Tony opposed. Motion carried.
7. The Land Committee recommended that the Cornelius' be allowed to do any repairs at the Peterson Farm up to a maximum of \$50.00 per repair. Kathy moved to deny this request and the Building and Grounds Program be responsible for any repairs. Gordon seconded. Lois abstained. Motion carried. Lois will meet with Building and Grounds and the Land Office so everyone will understand how the repairs will be taken care of.

200-LAND OFFICE RECOMMENDATIONS, MAY 14, 1984 (CONTINUED)

- 8 Cornelius' have stated they will repair the Ambrosius land and submit a bill to the Land Office. The Business Committee did not agree with this action. Mark moved to defer this item back to the Land Office. Tony seconded. Motion carried.
9. The request was to allow the Cornelius' 10% of the Tribes total sales from the 50-50 agreement. Gordon moved to deny. Kathy seconded. Motion carried
10. Mark moved to approve Mike Schaepe's report. Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.
11. Lois moved to accept H.I.P. report. Gordon seconded. Motion carried.
12. Gordon moved to accept Land Office report. Kathy seconded. Motion carried

RECOMMENDATION ON SELF FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE - Dale Wheelock

The Oneida Business Committee appointed Kathy Hughes, Tribal Treasurer, Gordon McLester, Tribal Secretary and Dale P. Wheelock, Personnel Director to review the Tribes Employee Medical Insurance benefit cost.

The Personnel Office has requested competitive bids comparing current Employee coverage and self-funded option from New York Life Insurance, Claims Management Services inc., Prudential Insurance and Midwest Insurance Brokerage.

Insurance Presentations were conducted on May 23, 1984 by Claims Management Services, and New York Life Insurance. Prudential withdrew their presentation due to company policy requiring 75% employee participation and Midwest withdrew due to their needing an additional four to six weeks to work up a bid.

Upon reviewing C/M Services and New York Life presentations it was a consensus that self-funding would be to the tribes benefit in controlling Medical Insurance cost.

Dale will set up a meeting with C/M Services and the Business Committee to continue reviewing self-funded Insurance.

310-PROMOTION OF DENNISON DANFORTH

Dennison Danforth will be promoted from temporary to permanent part-time cook at the Nursing Home. This position averages 24 hours per week and is grade 6, 4.54 per hour.

Kathy moved to approve. Tony seconded. Motion carried.

250-VACATION REQUEST BY BOB CHRISTJOHN ON MAY 24, 1984

Bob requested the vacation earlier and Purcy gave him approval. Kathy moved to approve the request. Rick seconded. Motion carried.

GOLF OUTING BY MEMBERS OF THE ACCOUNTING STAFF

Tony made a motion to have Bob Christjohn be at the next Business Committee meeting to explain the Golf Outing. Mark seconded. Motion carried.

060-TRAVEL REQUEST - Tony Benson

Tony wishes to attend the Wisconsin Child Welfare Advisory Committee Meeting on June 6 and 7, 1984.

Rick moved to approve the request. Kathy seconded. Tony abstained. Motion carried.

TRAVEL REQUEST - Rick Hill, Lois Powless and Amelia Cornelius

Rick, Lois and Amelia, of the Litigation Committee wish to attend the Court Hearing in Syracuse on May 29, 1984.

Gordon moved to approve, Kathy seconded. Mark abstained. Motion carried

220-LAW OFFICE - Jerry Hill and Sharon Cornelius

Resolution #5-2~~5~~⁴-84-C - Extended Family Member

The Indian Child Welfare Act is intended to protect Indian children from arbitrary removal from their families and tribal affiliation by the establishment of procedures to insure that measures to prevent the break-up of Indian families are followed in child custody proceedings. The Oneida Business Committee has taken steps to protect the best interests of children and to promote the stability and security of Indian Tribes and families by establishing the Oneida Child Protective Board. The Indian Child Welfare Act and the policies and procedures of the Oneida Child Protective Board make express references to the Indian child's extended family as being the first preference in the placement of an Indian child. The Indian Child Welfare Act states under 25 USC §2903(2) that an extended family member shall be as defined by the laws or custom of the Indian child's tribe. The Oneida Business Committee, on behalf of the Oneida General Tribal Council adopts the following definition of "extended family member". "The extended family member shall be defined as an Indian person who has reached the age of eighteen (18) and who is the Indian child's grandparent, aunt or uncle, brother or sister, brother-in-law or sister-in-law, niece or nephew, first, second, third or fourth cousin, stepparent or someone who is recognized by the Oneida General Tribal Council and/or its delegate as a member of the child's extended family."

Rick moved to adopt the Resolution #5-24-84-C. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

220-RECONSIDERATION OF STAFF ATTORNEY SALARY

Jerry Hill requested the Business Committee to reconsider their earlier action which was to give Sharon Cornelius a salary increase as of October 1, 1984. He would like the increase to be effective retroactive to May 1, 1984. After lengthy discussion Mark made a motion to reconsider the action for October 1, 1984 and that it be effective retroactive to May 1, 1984. Rick seconded.

Rick and Mark voted yes. Kathy, Gordon, Lloyd and Tony voted no. Lois abstained. Motion failed.

12:30 P.M. Mark moved to recess until 1:30 P.M. Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.

The Oneida Business Committee reconvened at 1:30 P.M.

060-TRAVEL REQUEST - Rick Hill

Rick requested to attend the Treaty Rights Conference at Telemark on May 31 and June 1, 1984.

Lloyd moved to approve. Tony seconded. Rick abstained. Motion carried

FUNERAL EXPENSE

Denise Vique is a Tribal Member and she is requesting help for her mother-in-law who just recently passed away. Her mother-in-law was not a Tribal Member. Denise requested \$300.00 to \$500.00 of financial assistance.

Kathy moved to deny the request based on the policy of only assistance for Tribal Members. Lois seconded. Motion carried.

TRAVEL REQUEST- Lois Powless

Lois requested to go to Keshena on May 30, 1984 to attend a meeting on group homes.

Tony moved to approve, Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

VACATION REQUEST - Gordon McLester

Gordon requested for vacation time on May 29 and 30, 1984

Rick moved to approve. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

TRAVEL REQUEST - Purcell Powless

Purcell requests to attend a meeting on the JPTA Consortium at Toma, Wisconsin on May 29, 1984.


Kathy moved to approve. Lois seconded. Motion carried.

BUDGETS REVIEW

It was agreed that each Business Committee Member would work with their Liaison Program Director to prepare the FY 85 Budgets and when they were ready they would put them on the agenda.

Lloyd made a motion to have any budgets that are prepared be put on the May 29 1984 agenda. Rick seconded. Motion carried.

2:30 P.M. Mark moved to recess. Rick seconded. Motion carried


L. Gordon McLester, Secretary
Oneida Business Committee