

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin



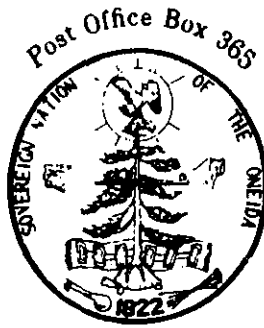
Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid them.



UGEWA BENDIUM TATEH

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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*Agenda
2-15-85*

SPECIAL MEETING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1985

The Chairman brought the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

Present: Purcell Powless, Chairman; Rick Hill, Vice-Chairman; L. Gordon McLester, Secretary; Council Members: Lloyd E. Powless, Jr., Mark Powless, Tony Benson, David King.

EXCUSED: Kathy Hughes, Treasurer, Council Member, Lois Powless.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Travel request for Tony Benson
Travel request for Miss Oneida
Travel request for Lloyd E. Powless
Vacation request for Mark Powless
Bingo Task Force Resolutions
Flandreau Santee-Sioux Request
Travel request for Kathy Hughes
Personnel Office: Language position

David King moved to adopt the agenda. Rick Hill Seconded. Motion Carried.

Item (1), Housing Report for December 1984 and January 1985 was deferred until February 15, 1985.

DISCUSSION WITH CLAIMS MANAGEMENT SERVICES ABOUT THE FIRST ANNUAL REPORT ON SELF-FUNDED DENTAL INSURANCE - Dale Wheelock, Bob Christjohn, Don Wilson, Tom Casper

The committee discussed the first annual Self-Funded Dental Report that Dale Wheelock submitted of February 6, 1985. This report covered the period from February 1, 1984 to January 31, 1985. Mr. Tom Casper of the Claims Management Services was present to answer any questions. There was discussion on the Insurance deficit and how this could be brought down. They feel that the rates will remain the same during the next six months to a year. The evaluation of the program was that there was a saving of \$18,174.44 by going with the Self-Funded Dental Program. The Personnel Office is recommending that we continue with this insurance with Claims Management Services as administrator at the current monthly rates of \$30.83 for family and \$15.64 for single. The areas of Oneida Health Center Billing procedures and negotiating Provider cost will be addressed in FY 85.

2:00 P.M. Gordon McLester was excused from the meeting because of another appointment. Patricia Benson came in as recording secretary.

Discussion on Self-Funded Medical Report. This report was for the period of July 1, 1984 to January 31, 1985. Claims Management Services are also the Administrators of this Insurance. There was also a savings by going with this insurance over Blue Cross. The problem areas of the Trust Account and Hospital Services will be addressed in this FY 85 period. The areas of hospital stays for alcohol treatment and medical costs of alcoholism related claims was discussed. This will be very costly for the Tribe if something is not done in the area of preventive programming. There were suggestions for programs and plans that could possibly be developed. Don Wilson stated that he would like to be involved in this as he has expertise in this area. The Tribe really needs an overall coordinated plan. Some type of task force could be set up to see what can be implemented.

ONEIDA TRIBAL HEALTH EXPANSION FUND

Lloyd E. Powless moved to take from the table. Mark Powless seconded. Motion Carried.

This was brought up as there was a question or concern regarding who was in control or how the money could be spent. After discussion Mark Powless made a motion that the Health Board be directed to draft a policy in regard to the determination of the Health Expansion Funds. Lloyd Powless seconded. Motion Carried.

TRAVEL REQUEST

Mark Powless moved to approve Tony Benson travel requests to Tomah on February 13 and 14, 1985 and Stevens Point on February 19, 1985. Sonny King seconded. Motion Carried. Rick Hill opposed. Tony Benson abstained.

There was discussion on the request to attend a seminar on Basic Indian Law in Reno. The feeling was that our own Law Department was qualified to put on a Seminar in our own area.

Rick Hill moved to approve. Dave King seconded. Hand vote was called. Rick and Dave voted for; Lloyd and Mark opposed. Tony Abstained. Chairman voted to break tie by opposing. Chairman opposed because he feels basic Indian Law can be taught by our own Department and all materials are available. Motion Failed.

Lloyd and Rick will work with the Law Office on the practical aspects of putting on a workshop here. Jerry Hill also agreed that he would be willing to do this.

MISS ONEIDA TRAVEL REQUEST

Rick Hill reported on his meeting with the Miss Oneida Committee. The Committee was all in agreement that Heidi Posypchala should go to the Miss Indian World Contest in Albuquerque, on February 22 & 23, 1985. The Committee has another meeting set for March 1, 1985 to work on her agenda for the rest of the year. Mark Powless made a motion to deny this request because of lack of planning on the part of the Committee. Tony Seconded. Hand vote was called for. Mark and Tony voted for; Lloyd and Rick opposed. Sonny abstained. Chairman voted for the motion. It was suggested that Rick bring back to the Committee the Miss Oneida Committee's plans and what support they are going to be in the future.

TRAVEL REQUESTS (Cont)

Rick Hill moved to approve Lloyd E. Powless travel request to attend the Great Lakes Four State Tribal Meeting on Thursday, February 14, 1985 in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Dave King seconded. Motion Carried.

Lloyd Powless moved to approve vacation request for Mark Powless on February 14-15, 1985 and February 18, 1985. Rick Hill seconded. Mark abstained. Motion Carried.

TASK FORCE RESOLUTION

Mark Powless moved to adopt the Resolution #2-12-85-A, The Oneida Business Committee Resolution. "That the attached proposed federal legislation of the National Indian Gaming Task Force is in the best interest of the Oneida Tribe and other Indian tribes considering or engaged in the conduct of gaming in Indian country."

Tony Benson seconded. Motion Carried.

Tony Benson moved to have the Resolutions presented to the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council and the Four State Regional Tribal Assembly. Mark Powless seconded. Motion Carried.

TRAVEL REQUEST FOR KATHY HUGHES

Mark Powless moved to approve the request to travel to Chicago on March 18-20, 1985 for a conference on financial systems. Dave King seconded. Motion Carried.

FLANDREAU SANTEE-SIOUX REQUEST

Dave King moved to approve the request for help in their Bingo operation. They are asking assistance in technical assistance in all phases of a bingo operation from total start up: training, managers, staff, program design, security, publicity and whatever else is entailed. Mark reviewed this with the Committee and stated that this was the official notification from the Tribe. A seminar will be set up at our Bingo hall here. There will be a regular fee charged. There was a question on a statement to provide them with technical assistance in the area of terminating their present agreement. Any advise on any contract has to be directed to their own attorney. Tony Benson seconded. Motion Carried.

JERRY HILL REQUEST FOR TRAVEL

Jerry Hill made a verbal request to attend the Four State Regional Tribal Assembly in Eau Claire. Dave King moved to approve. Rich Hill seconded. Lloyd Powless abstained. Motion Carried.

LANGUAGE POSITION

Mark Powless moved to approve the posting of the position of Oneida Language/Culture Teacher/Trainee in response to the memo from Dale Wheelock of February 7, 1985. Tony Benson seconded. Motion Carried.

Mark Powless moved to recess. Dave King seconded. Motion Carried. Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

R. Gordon McLoester / Patricia Benson
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