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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 na-
tion, the United States, was
made possible.

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

Approved As
Read 3/10/87

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1987

Vice-Chairman, Rick Hill, brought meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Present: Rick Hill, Vice-Chairman; Kathy Hughes, Treasurer; Council Members:
Lois Powless, Dave King, Lloyd Powless, Mark Powless

Excused: Purcell Powless, Chairman; L. Gordon McLester, Secretary.

AGENDA

Mark Powless moved to approve the agenda with the addition of a request for a meeting at 1:30 by the Law Office. Dave King Seconded. Motion Carried.

FINANCE & APPROPRIATION - Kathy Hughes Recommendations of February 18, 1987

- (1) Draperies for 3rd Floor - F&A requests direction from the Business Committee as to whether or not they want drapes and if so, what dollar amount does the BC want to spend.

Discussion on cost of draperies. Tony Benson requested that this be brought to the Business Committee because he did not feel that they were necessary. Other members agreed as they had brought in their own drapes and felt everyone could do the same. If this is approved the cost should be lowered. Mark Powless moved that a \$500.00 amount be set aside for drapes. Dave King Seconded. Motion Carried.

- (2) FOR INFORMATION ONLY - Equipment Request: Conservation Program is requesting approval to purchase two (2) portable radios at a cost of \$1,636. F&A Recommends approval from the Conservation budget.
- (3) FOR INFORMATION ONLY - Fencing: Conservation Program is requesting approval to install a fence at Cora House & Rolling Hills Site at a cost of \$1,655.82. F&A recommends taking the installed price at \$2,953 instead of having Building & Grounds do the installation. Funds are available in the budget.

There was questions on why the fencing was going up at Cora House and Rolling Hills. It was felt that more justification was needed for the reason for fencing, area to be fenced and cost seemed low for this type

of fencing and area to be fenced. This item has already been tabled and it is requested that Terry Jordan come in.

- (4) Playground Equipment: Conservation Program is requesting authorization to purchase equipment at a cost of \$9,715. F&A tabled for more information on installation costs and evaluation of park sites. This was tabled but it was suggested that this be researched for documentation. Ridgeland Park area was discontinued or referred back to Planning. This should be researched.

ALL INDIAN MEETING - Dave King

Dave reported on preparation for an all-Oneida visit at Oneida, Wisconsin. A tentative agenda and date was discussed. The tentative date of June 26, 27, 28, 1987 was suggested. The agenda could be:

Friday, June 26, 1987: Registration, Opening, Dinner, Social Dance
Saturday, June 27, 1987: Tour, Speakers
Sunday, June 28, 1987: Closing

Suggested speakers were Arlinda Locklear, Dan Braveman, Burt Hirsch. There was lengthy discussion on whether the attorneys should attend. This was referred back to the Sub-Committee for discussion.

After discussion Mark Powless moved to adopt the concept of the All Oneida Invitational visit. Kathy Hughes seconded. Motion Carried.

LAW OFFICE REQUEST FOR MEETING

Lois Powless moved to combine Items 4 & 10:

- #4- Law Office request for Executive Session on February 23, 1987
- #10- Law Office request for Meeting on contracts Friday, February 20, 1987 at 1:30 P.M.

together and have a meeting on Monday, February 23, 1987 at 2:00 P.M. Kathy Hughes seconded.

Discussion followed on schedules. Motion changed to 2:00 P.M. Motion Carried.

Jerry Hill is scheduled for vacation next week. Requested that Jerry Hill be present. Lois Powless moved to delete item #10 from the motion. Lloyd Powless seconded. Motion Carried.

DNR RESOLUTION

Lois Powless moved to refer the DNR Indian Policy Resolution to the Environmental Sub-Committee and bring back in two weeks from today. Mark Powless seconded. Motion Carried.

NCAI BANQUET

Discussion on who is going to the Banquet. Lloyd has sent letters out to the people in that area. Only response so far. Lloyd will check on these for confirmation. There should be an update next week to see who else can go.

TRAVEL REQUEST

Lloyd E. Powless moved to approve travel for the Litigation Committee to attend the next meeting with the Canadian Oneida's in Detroit, Michigan on March 13-14, 1987. Mark Powless Seconded. Motion carried.

TRAVEL REQUEST

Rick Hill is requesting travel for himself and any community members to travel to Madison to attend the "Coming Together of the Peoples" Conference on March 5, 6 & 7, 1987. Discussion on community members travel being covered. There was discussion regarding a separate budget for community members to attend meetings.

Mark Powless moved to approve the request to include three community members that want to attend. Dave King Seconded.

Lois felt that the whole Litigation Committee should attend.

Lois moved to amend the motion to include the Litigation Committee attend if possible. Kathy Hughes seconded.

Vote on the amendment: Lloyd Powless opposed. Dave King abstained. Motion Carried.

Vote on the Main Motion: Motion Carried.

LITTLE BEAR FUND

Mark reported on the meeting of January 30, 1987 concerning the development of a Committee to work on the Little Bear King/Tony Merrill Fund.

"In attendance at the meeting was Sandra Ninham, Clifford Webster, Dan Ninham, David Powless, Lloyd Powless and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd King. It was agreed that Dave Powless and I would be the one's authorizing payment of bills and that the bills would be paid directly whenever possible. Being that Little Bear is on SSI we have to be careful so that his medical benefits are not jeopardized.

The bills are to be paid on an as needed basis. Last Saturday a benefit Bingo was held by the Tribe. The amount of money raised was approximately \$7,800.00, which is to be divided in half for the two families. The portion going towards Tony Merrill will be sent directly to the 1st National Bank of Pawhuska where an account has been established and administered by the Bank."

Harriet Reiter and Lois Powless were also in attendance at this meeting. Their names were omitted from the report. Don Wilson had requested that the amount of \$7,800.00 be increased to \$10,000 and \$5,000 be put in each account.

Mark stated that the \$1,790.00 check was returned to the fund so as not to jeopardize the SSI.

Mark Powless moved to approve Don Wilson request to bring the fund to \$10,000 to have each family receive \$5,000.00. Kathy Hughes seconded. Mark requested that the Tony Merrill amount be wired as soon as possible as their funds are running out. Kathy stated that this was on the F&A agenda for Monday and this could be done after a source has been identified. Motion Carried.

Mark stated that he and Dave Powless had met with Sharon Cornelius and Jerry Hill of the Law Office regarding the legal aspects and the legal review of a trust fund for these types of illness's, and they will meet with the family when they return from Disneyland.

Mark would like to state for the record that they are working with the Law Office in terms of legal aspects of fund raising and the possible ramifications and they are taking steps so as not to jeopardize the SSI benefits.

PERSONNEL

The Committee reviewed for information only hiring of:

- Susan L. Millard as Public Health Nutritionist at the Health Center
- Kristin G. metoxen as Nurses Aide at the Anna John Nursing Home

Kathy Hughes moved to recess at 9:50 A.M. Lois Powless Seconded. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patricia M. Benson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Patricia M. Benson, Recording Secretary