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**Subject:** Quarterly Report Jul-Sep 2014

**SEOTS ADVISORY BOARD  
QUARTERLY REPORT (July-September 2014)  
SOUTHEASTERN ONEIDA TRIBAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD**

**Submitted by:**

Pamela Ninham-Chairwoman  
Jackie Zalim-Vice Chairwoman  
Valerie Webster-Secretary  
Carol Wenzel- Advisory Board member  
Kymme Goodrich-Advisory Board member  
Chris Luttrell-Advisory Board member  
Mark Powless- Director

**Oneida Business Committee liaisons:** Vince Delarosa, Ed Delgado- alt, Melinda Danforth-alt.

**Minute's update-** minutes are on file.

**Financial-** SEOTS continues to be under budget.

**Programs:** The SEOTS Cessation Program is having a continuation of clients. Two of our tribal members have completed the program, one is intent on quitting. Five clients have dropped out and six clients are currently participating in the program.

SEOTS hired an intern for the summer for our youth programs and he will also assist with other duties as assigned.

Community discussions were held at SEOTS during the first two weeks in August. The topics were Historical Trauma, Employment, Health, and Our Relationships with Oneida, Cultural Connections and Education. Participants were given a \$10 Walmart Gift Card for attending these discussions. Three sessions were cancelled due to no participation from the community. The remaining sessions were well attended with great discussions from the group.

Deb Ushakow of the SEOTS office was at the Indian Summer Festival for the whole duration of the event to represent the Oneida Tribe with Oneida Cultural presentations. Oneida did not sponsor the Indian Summer Festival this year.

**Special Events and Travel** –SEOTS was invited to speak in Rochester, Minnesota about our work with the Smoking Cessation Program. All travel expenses were paid for the Spirit of E.A.G.L.E.S. Grant.

**Comments-** Gloria Lusis was hired through National Indian Counsel on Aging (NICOA) she will be working part-time at SEOTS. The Oneida Tribe hired for SEOTS a new Administrative Assistant Sarah, who is also working part-time. This was part of several discussions with the board to take on more staff and volunteers to help alleviate some of the staffing issues.

We passed a motion to retrieve and retain the \$400,000 which was formally approved for the SEOTS building by the GTC. This sum had been taken from the SEOTS building budget, and now needs to be released and reallocated to the SEOTS building budget and confirmed by the OBC to make this happen per GTC action. We foresee this being essential to the remodel.

**Goals and Objectives -1.** Increase participation, have open communication and hear more voices. **2.** Tabled - Explore a change from an *“advisory” board to a “full board” with appropriately more authority.* We need to first revisit our mission and vision and determine what governing model is best suited for continued achievement of these.

**Meeting Requirements •** By-Laws require 7 members, 2 meetings per month with Special and Emergency Meetings. Only 1 meeting per month is paid. Consider the need for bi-monthly meetings. Determine if another schedule is more appropriate for meeting our responsibilities and change bylaws if necessary.

**Follow up-** During this Quarter there were multiple meetings to achieve a consensus on the remodeling of the new SEOTS building floor plan. This was done in conjunction with the SEOTS office staff. We believe we are able to meet staff and community needs with the agreed upon design.