

## Oneida Business Committee Agenda Request

1. Meeting Date Requested: ~~07~~ / ~~22~~ / ~~15~~ <sup>08 / 12 / 15</sup>

Motion by Jennifer Webster to defer the rest of the agenda items to the next regularly scheduled Business Committee meeting, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

### 2. General Information:

Session: ☒ Open ☐ Executive - See instructions for the applicable laws, then choose one:

Agenda Header:

☐ Accept as Information only

☒ Action - please describe:

Accept Southeastern Tribal Services Advisory Board FY '15 3rd quarter report

### 3. Supporting Materials

☒ Report ☐ Resolution ☐ Contract

☐ Other:

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☐ Business Committee signature required

### 4. Budget Information

☐ Budgeted - Tribal Contribution

☐ Budgeted - Grant Funded

☐ Unbudgeted

### 5. Submission

Authorized Sponsor / Liaison:

Primary Requestor: Dan Schiller, Chair  
Your Name, Title / Dept. or Tribal Member

Additional Requestor: Jackie Zalim, Vice-Chair  
Name, Title / Dept.

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Name, Title / Dept.

## **Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS) Advisory Board**

### **QUARTERLY REPORT**

April – June 2015

**Submitted by** Jackie Zalim – Vice Chairwoman

**Members** Dan Schiller – Chairman  
Jackie Zalim – Vice Chairwoman  
Jenna Skenandore – Board Member  
Tina Cottrell – Board Member  
Linda Langen - Board Member

**Business Committee Liaison** Chairwoman Tina Danforth

**Minute Updates** Minutes are on record.

#### **Action Taken**

Action was taken to notify the secretary's office of two resignations.

#### **Financial**

Four (4) regular Board meetings were held this quarter. Training was conducted; special stipend expenses will be made out of the next quarter.

The SEOTS Advisory Board budget is well under budget due to: the board had the same budget set prior to the reduction in board stipends, there were several cancelled meetings and the board was conducted with a reduced number of Board members. Also, in every prior year, including 2015 budget, money was unused and returned. Also, it is important to note that the budget request for 2016 was decreased by over 50%.

In June required budget meetings were held in Green Bay. A board member attended both days; mileage will be expensed in the next quarter.

An important role of the role of the Board is to oversee the SEOTS budget which has been under budget during this quarter.

#### **Special Events and Travel**

No special events by the Board during the quarter.

SEOTS has many programs which focuses on all ages, including summer youth programs and regular elder events, which are well attended. Board members are responsible to support programming by attending events and programs, as well as provide input on programs that are being explored. One program for consideration was with a company providing storytelling and a storytelling workshop.

## **Personal Comments**

With the new building opening on July 1st, there will be heighten focus meeting to assure that the Board is meeting its purpose to improve the quality of life of Oneida Tribal members, to strengthen their connection to Oneida, and working in partnership and advisement with the SEOTS Director. [To put historical event in context, the RFP was drafted in November of 2012.]

The Director unveiled the new Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services signage, with explanation of each element (colors, image outline and imagery) which reflects the SEOTS mission statement.

On another topic, the board's letter in support of Indian Summer Festival's request for support was to no avail. The Business Committee sent the request to the Finance Committee who rejected the request. It is unfortunate as this festival is important to maintain visibility in the Greater Milwaukee area and expands to all tribe throughout the state; not just in Milwaukee. Another request is being sent by the Director of Indian Summer Festival to the Tourism Department (who initially indicated that they did not again budget for the event).

While the goals and objectives are still in progress there has been some research and work on: creating interest in developing an eagle staff and working on fundraising to provide descendent scholarships.

Additionally, each board member is preparing a biography to be disseminated in various ways. The goal is to introduce and connect the board members to the community.

## **Goals and Objectives**

The board continued training with Melanie Burkhart reviewing Robert's Rules of Order, SEOTS Advisory Board Bylaws (making edits in preparation to send to the LOC) and Comprehensive Policy Governing Boards, Committees and Commissions, and conducted exercises such as making group decisions and communication skills.

Further training included drilling down to the board purpose and the board interaction with the community and staff. While much of the discussion set the stage for establishing attainable goals, the final training concludes in July.

## **Meeting Requirements**

Twice a month

## **Follow-up**

The Board has one vacancy.