



Oneida Business Committee

Regular Meeting
9 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2015
BC Conference Room, 2nd floor, Norbert Hill Center

Minutes

Present: Chairwoman Tina Danforth, Vice-Chairwoman Melinda J. Danforth, Treasurer Trish King, Secretary Lisa Summers, Council members Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster;

Not Present: Council member Brandon Stevens;

Arrived at: ;

Others present: Brad Graham, Bill Graham, Eric Krawczyk, Ravinder Vir, Debbie Danforth, Pat Powless, Jon Giguere, Debby Schoengarth, Nathalie Benton, Nathan Smith, Pre Leverage, Carol Elm, Tonya Webster, Rosa Laster, Matt J. Denny Sr, Mickey Petitjean, Barbara Metoxen, Nathan Ness, Leonard Webster, Doris Yelk-Wilberg, Lee Thomas, James Flores, Lyle Metoxen, Joanie Buckley, Tracy Smith, Doreen Perrote, Sandra Reveles, Tonya L., Lisa Skenandore, Daryle Metoxen, Mike Finn, RaLinda Ninham-Lamberies, Larae Gower, Carole Liggins, Tim Ninham, Gerald L. Hill, John Breuninger, Lloyd Powless, Gina Buenrostro

I. Call to Order and Roll Call by Chairwoman Tina Danforth at 8:58 a.m.

II. Opening by Councilman Tehassi Hill

A. Recognition for Retirement of Deborah Schoengarth – Jon Giguere, Lab Supervisor/Lab

Recognition by Debra J. Danforth of Deborah Schoengarth's retirement after 17 years working in the Oneida Health Center's lab

B. Special Recognition for Years of Service – Geraldine Danforth, HRD Area Manager

Special Recognition by Matthew J. Denny Sr. of Daniel Jourdan (25 years of service), Richard Cluckey (30 years of service), and Ellen King (30 years of service) who were not present; Special Recognition by Mickey Petitjean of Daryle Metoxen for 25 years of service; Special Recognition by Priscilla Leverage of Barbara Metoxen for 30 years of service; Special Recognition by Melinda J. Danforth of Bruce Danforth for 30 years of service; Special Recognition by Lee Thomas of Doris Yelk-Wilberg for 35 years of service.

III. Adopt the agenda

Motion by Lisa Summers to adopt the agenda with three changes (to correct date in IX.C.1. Accept Community Development Planning Committee meeting notes of December 4, 2015 to "December 4, 2014"; to correct date in XVI.C.2. Accept Audit Committee regular meeting minutes of December 11, 2015 to "December 11, 2014"; to correct date in XVI.C.3. Accept Audit Committee special meeting minutes of December 30, 2015 to "December 30, 2014"), seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Brandon Stevens

IV. Oaths of Office administered by Secretary Lisa Summers

- A. Oneida Public Safety Pension Board – Sergeant Ron King Jr, Sergeant Nathan Ness, Police School Liaison Officer Lyle Metoxen, and K-9 Officer Leonard Webster
- B. Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee – Nathan Smith
- C. Anna John Resident Centered Care Community Board – Tracy Smith and Carol Elm
- D. Oneida Pow Wow Committee – Rosa Laster, Tonya Webster, and Jeremy King (*Jeremy King not present*)
- E. Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Advisory Board – Christina Cottrell (via polycom), Linda Langen (via polycom) and James Flores

F. Oneida Personnel Commission – Patricia Powless

Oneida Personnel Commission by-laws allow for two (2) employees from the Gaming Division. Due to Patricia Powless's recent employment with Gaming, she is ineligible to take the oath for the Oneida Personnel Commission and the vacancy will be reposted.

G. Oneida Library Board – Kitty Melchert and Bridget John

H. Pardon and Forgiveness Screening Committee – Nathalie Benton, Patricia Powless, and Jeanette Ninham (*Jeanette Ninham not present*)

V. Minutes

A. Approve January 14, 2015 regular meeting minutes

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve January 14, 2015 regular meeting minutes, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster
 Not Present: Brandon Stevens

VI. Resolutions

A. Adopt resolution Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

Sponsor: Joanie Buckley, Division Director/Internal Services

Motion by Lisa Summers to adopt resolution 01-28-15-A Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster
 Not Present: Brandon Stevens

B. Adopt resolution Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin 2015-2016 Transportation Improvement Plan

Sponsor: Troy Parr, Asst. Div. Dir./Devel. & Bruce Danforth, Asst. Div. Dir. Devel. Oper.

Motion by Jennifer Webster to adopt resolution 01-28-15-B Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin 2015-2016 Transportation Improvement Plan, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster
 Not Present: Brandon Stevens

VII. Appointments (No Requested Action)

VIII. Continuing Resolution Reports

A. Continuing Resolution Close out reports and recommendations

Sponsor: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to direct the Tribal Secretary to issue a memorandum to our Direct Reports, Non-Divisional areas including the Judiciary, and all Boards, Committees and Commissions to submit final close out reports to the February 11, 2015, regular Business Committee meeting agenda to include the operation impacts of the continuing resolution, any information pertaining to the exceptions that were made and any recommendations moving forward on how to improve the continuing resolution process, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Brandon Stevens

IX. Standing Committees

A. Legislative Operating Committee

Sponsor: Councilman Brandon Stevens, Chairman

1. Accept Legislative Operating Committee meeting minutes of December 3, 2014

Motion by Fawn Billie to accept the Legislating Operating Committee meeting minutes of December 3, 2014, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Brandon Stevens

2. Accept Legislative Operating Committee meeting minutes of December 17, 2014

Motion by Tehassi Hill to accept the Legislating Operating Committee meeting minutes of December 17, 2014, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Brandon Stevens

3. Accept Legislative Operating Committee meeting minutes of January 15, 2015

Motion by Tehassi Hill to accept the Legislating Operating Committee meeting minutes of January 15, 2015, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Brandon Stevens

B. Finance Committee

Sponsor: Tribal Treasurer Trish King, Chairwoman

1. Approve Finance Committee meeting minutes of January 19, 2015

Motion by Trish King to approve the Finance Committee meeting minutes of January 19, 2015, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Brandon Stevens

C. Community Development Planning Committee

Sponsor: Tribal Vice-Chairwoman Melinda J. Danforth, Chairwoman

1. Accept Community Development Planning Committee meeting notes of December 4, 2014

Motion by Fawn Billie to accept the Community Development Planning Committee meeting notes of December 4, 2014, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

2. Accept Community Development Planning Committee meeting notes of January 7, 2015

Motion by Jennifer Webster to accept the Community Development Planning Committee meeting notes of January 7, 2015, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

D. Quality of Life (No Requested Action)

X. General Tribal Council

A. Petitioner Madelyn Genskow: Request Saturday meeting to address 4 resolutions

Sponsor: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Excerpt from December 10, 2014: Motion by Lisa Summers to accept the verified petition submitted by Madelyn Genskow, to send the petition to the Law, Finance and Legislative Reference offices to begin work on the appropriate analyses, and that a progress report be submitted in 30 days, seconded by Jenny Webster. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tehassi Hill to accept the status update from the Legislative Reference Office, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

B. Petitioner Yvonne Metivier: Raise employee salaries 99 cents for those under \$65,000 and no layoffs

Sponsor: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Excerpt from December 10, 2014: Motion by Lisa Summers to accept the verified petition submitted by Yvonne Metivier, to send the petition to the Law, Finance and Legislative Reference offices to begin work on the appropriate analyses, and that a progress report be submitted in 30 days, seconded by Jenny Webster. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tehassi Hill to accept the legal and legislative analyses and the status update from Finance, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

XI. Unfinished Business

A. Approve Oneida Business Committee and Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee Memorandum of Agreement

Sponsor: Brandon Stevens, Councilman

Excerpt from December 10, 2014: Motion by Lisa Summers to defer the Memorandum of Agreement to the Joint Business and Trust/Enrollment Committee meeting scheduled for December 16, 2014, and for the agreement to come back when it is finalized, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Fawn Billie to approve Oneida Business Committee and Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee Memorandum of Agreement, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill
Abstained: Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Brandon Stevens

XII. Tabled Business (No Requested Action)

XIII. New Business

A. Approve School Board vacancy reposting

Sponsor: Fawn Billie, Councilwoman

Motion by Fawn Billie to approve School Board (Parent Position) vacancy reposting, seconded by Tehassi Hill.

Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Brandon Stevens

B. Accept report on Purchase and Distribution of Packer Play-Off Tickets

Sponsor: Tina Danforth, Tribal Chairwoman

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to decline the report as the report has several inaccuracies and discrepancies and to deem the purchase of the six (6) packer tickets on the Chairwoman's credit card as unauthorized, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill

Abstained: Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Brandon Stevens

For the record:

Lisa Summers stated I appreciate you putting the chronology of events together from your perspective. However, I do need to agree with the Vice-Chairwoman at this time. The way that you have this laid out, while the components are accurate, the order in which things occurred were not necessarily accurate. I think Melinda did a good of recapping. I guess from my perspective and the Officers' perspective, what had actually occurred and I know that we've had the additional communication. I am very disappointed that the email that I originally sent out to the whole Committee, framing out our conversation in the Officers' meeting and asking for their input and feedback, wasn't included in the other emails that you used for back up materials. So for the record, I would like that email also included so that it's noted that I followed up with the part that I was supposed to do on behalf of the Committee and behalf of the Officers: to request the information and for us to drive consensus. This is where I also want to take the opportunity to say that while we disagree with our perception of how things occurred, I think for myself what was disappointing about the way this decision happened, was that, for me, it violated almost every single one of our agreements that we came to together. There's a big poster of them over here to my left which talks about: how we are going to support the decisions of the team; that we are going to leave our titles at the door; that we're working on a level playing field; that we're delivering the mail to the right address, meaning that we're going to the source when we need to; we're going to assume the best in one another; we're going to check our attitudes at the door; we're going to stay focused on issues, not people; we're not going to take our decisions personally; and we're going to maintain our core values. Especially our agreement that we had to make major decisions by consensus, for me, I felt that was also violated. I just need to put it out there. I think we just have very different understanding of what occurred and I'm looking for us to try to move forward in the best way possible. One of the things that we've been committed to as a Committee is accountability. I believe that accountability needs to start with us because if we don't have it here at this table, we can't expect it from anybody else in the operations.

For the record: Tina Danforth stated the motion that was voted on deems that my report was inaccurate. It was reported to the best of my knowledge and so, I disagree with that motion being on the record. As far as the unauthorized purchase, I acted within my understanding of what occurred at the Officers' meeting; it was a verbal discussion. I also acted within my authority as Chairwoman to execute that acquisition, as precedent has been set to that effect. Also for the record, I will be taking this item to General Tribal Council for further discussion because I don't know what other appeal rights I have. GTC is my supervisor.

For the record: Melinda J. Danforth stated in response to Jacob's statement: Mrs. Mary Graves, who is the Chairwoman's Assistant, had been cc'd on all the emails, just as we have been proceeding with, in the future we will include you as well. I agree with you that if there are 66 missing Packer tickets that that also needs to be looked into however that information just got brought to our attention today as you mentioned it. I think it's only fair to let the Business Committee review the 300+ page information report that we received over the last couple of days and also request that report come forward to the Business Committee. I also have questions about not only where did the tickets go (Thornberry, Hotel Corporation, Gaming, Retail) but I want to know how they used them.

Motion by Lisa Summers to identify the six (6) play-off tickets will be paid for from the Business Committee's Special Projects budget, so the expense can be reconciled timely, so there will be no personal liability for the purchase, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried with two opposed by a roll call vote:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Jennifer Webster
Opposed: Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

Motion by Jennifer Webster to cancel corporate credit cards for the Business Committee, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

Motion by Lisa Summers for the Tribal Chairwoman's office to follow up on the distribution of all tickets associated with the Packers Contract and provide a formal report to the Business Committee, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion withdrawn.

Motion by Lisa Summers to direct Chair's office to bring a comprehensive report to the Oneida Business Committee regarding the performance of the Packers Contract, including a presentation to General Tribal Council for the July 2015 Semi-Annual meeting, with the information we are able to disclose in accordance with the contract, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

XIV. Travel

A. Travel Reports (No Requested Action)

B. Travel Requests

1. Ratify e-poll: Business Committee – MBK Community Challenge National Convening – Washington D.C, January 28, 2015

Sponsor: Brandon Stevens, Councilman

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to ratify the e-poll for Councilman Stevens and Councilwoman Billie – MBK Community Challenge National Convening – Washington D.C, January 28, 2015, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

2. Gaming – NIGA Tradeshow & Convention – San Diego, CA, March 29-April 3, 2015

Sponsor: Louise Cornelius, Gaming General Manager

Motion by Jennifer Webster to approve three (3) Gaming employees and two (2) Business Committee members, identified by the Business Committee as Chairwoman Tina Danforth and Councilwoman Jennifer Webster, to attend NIGA Tradeshow & Convention – San Diego, CA, March 29-April 3, 2015, seconded by Tehassi Hill.

Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

XV. Reports (*This section of the agenda is scheduled to begin at 1:30 p.m.*)

Called to order at 1:28 p.m. by Chairwoman Tina Danforth.

Vice-Chairwoman Melinda J. Danforth, Council members Tehassi Hill and Brandon Stevens are not present.

A. Operational Reports (*No Requested Action*)

B. Corporate Reports (*No Requested Action*)

C. Boards Committees and Commissions

1. Oneida Police Commission – Bernard John-Stevens, President (*No Reports Submitted*)

Liaison: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

i. FY-2014 4th quarter report

Excerpt from January 14, 2015: Motion by Lisa Summers to defer the Oneida Police Commission report to the next regular Business Committee meeting, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried unanimously.¹

ii. FY-2015 1st quarter report

Motion by Fawn Billie to halt any and all stipends to the Oneida Police Commission until the delinquent reports are submitted to the Business Committee and accepted by the Business Committee, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill, Brandon Stevens

Motion by Jennifer Webster to direct the Tribal Secretary Lisa Summers, liaison to the Oneida Police Commission, to notify the Oneida Police Commission of their delinquent report and ask that the report is submitted for the next Business Committee agenda, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill, Brandon Stevens

2. Oneida Arts Board – Nic Reynolds, Chairman

Liaison: Jennifer Webster, Councilwoman

Excerpt from January 14, 2015: Motion by Lisa Summers to defer the Oneida Arts Board report to the next regular Business Committee meeting, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously.

¹ Following this meeting, the Tribal Secretary's Office was informed that the Oneida Police Commission's FY-2014 4th quarter report was previously submitted. After review, the Tribal Secretary confirmed that the report was submitted and accepted at the October 22, 2014, regular Business Committee meeting and determined that the error occurred due to ambiguity of the FY-2014 reporting schedule.

Motion by Jennifer Webster to accept the Oneida Arts Board report, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill, Brandon Stevens

Councilman Tehassi Hill arrives at 1:31 p.m.

3. Anna John Resident Centered Care Community Board – Carol Elm, Chairwoman

Liaison: Melinda J. Danforth, Tribal Vice-Chairwoman

Excerpt from January 14, 2015: *Motion by Lisa Summers to defer the Anna John Resident Centered Care Community Board report to the next regular Business Committee meeting, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried unanimously.*

Motion by Lisa Summers to accept the Anna John Resident Centered Care Community Board report, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens

4. Oneida Child Protective Board – Lois Strong, Chairwoman **(No Report Submitted)**

Liaison: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Excerpt from January 14, 2015: *Motion by Lisa Summers to defer the Oneida Child Protective Board report to the next regular Business Committee meeting, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried unanimously.*

Motion by Lisa Summers to halt any and all stipends to the Oneida Child Protective Board until the delinquent report is submitted to the Business Committee and accepted by the Business Committee, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens

Motion by Lisa Summers to direct the Tribal Secretary, liaison to the Oneida Child Protective Board, to notify the Oneida Child Protective Board of their delinquent report and ask that the report is submitted for the next Business Committee agenda, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens

5. Personnel Commission – Susan Daniels, Chairwoman

Liaison: Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Motion by Tehassi Hill to accept the Personnel Commission report, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens

Motion by Lisa Summers to direct the Tribal Secretary, liaison to the Oneida Personnel Commission, to continue to work with the Personnel Commission on the representation issues and provide a follow up to the Business Committee in 60 days, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens

6. Pow Wow Committee – Lloyd Powless, Chairman

Liaison: Fawn Billie, Councilwoman

Motion by Jennifer Webster to accept the Pow Wow Committee report, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens

7. Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Advisory Board – Dan Schiller, Chairman

Liaison: Tina Danforth, Tribal Chairwoman

Motion by Jennifer Webster to accept the Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Advisory Board report, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens

8. Oneida Veterans Affairs Committee – Michael Hill, Chairman

Liaison: Jennifer Webster, Councilwoman

Motion by Jennifer Webster to accept the Oneida Veterans Affairs Committee report, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens

XVI. Executive Session

A. Executive Session meeting minutes of January 27, 2015

Present: Vice-Chairwoman Melinda J. Danforth, Treasurer Trish King, Secretary Lisa Summers, Council members Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster;

Not Present: Council member Brandon Stevens;

Arrived At: Chairwoman Tina Danforth 10:15 a.m.;

Others Present: Chad Fuss, Louise Cornelius, Jo Anne House, Ralinda Ninham-Lambries, David Emmerson;

1. Call to order by Vice-Chairwoman Melinda J. Danforth at 9:00 a.m.

2. Adopt the agenda

Motion by Fawn Billie to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster

3. Executive discussion

Motion by Lisa Summers to go into executive session at 9:01 a.m., seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster

Chairwoman Tina Danforth arrives at 10:15 a.m. and assumes responsibilities of the Chair.

4. Adjourn

Motion by Lisa Summers to come out of executive session and adjourn at 12:07 p.m., seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster

B. Reports

Treasurer Trish King departs at 11:28 a.m.

1. Gaming General Manager report – Louise Cornelius, Gaming General Manager

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the Gaming General Manager report, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to defer the parental leave issue to the next Business Committee work meeting, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

2. Chief Counsel report – Jo Anne House, Chief Counsel

Motion by Jennifer Webster to accept the Chief Counsel report, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

3. Intergovernmental Affairs and Communications – Nathan King, Legislative Affairs Director

Motion by Jennifer Webster to accept the Intergovernmental Affairs and Communications report, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

4. Officers' report – Melinda J. Danforth, Tribal Vice-Chairwoman (*No Requested Action*)

Tribal Treasurer Trish King returns at 11:31 a.m.

C. Audit Committee

Sponsor: Councilman Tehassi Hill, Chairman

1. Lift the Confidentiality of five (5) Audits: Title 31 Audit, Table Games Audit, Gaming Contracts Audit, Drop Count Audit, and Surveillance Audit

Motion by Tehassi Hill to lift the Confidentiality of five (5) Audits: Title 31 Audit, Table Games Audit, Gaming Contracts Audit, Drop Count Audit, and Surveillance Audit, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

2. Accept Audit Committee regular meeting minutes of December 11, 2014

Motion by Tehassi Hill to accept the Audit Committee regular meeting minutes of December 11, 2014, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

3. Accept Audit Committee special meeting minutes of December 30, 2014

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the Audit Committee special meeting minutes of December 30, 2014, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

4. Approve the Card Games Audit and Poker Rules of Play Audit and lift the confidentiality requirement allowing Tribal Members to view the audit

Motion by Tehassi Hill to approve the Card Games Audit and Poker Rules of Play Audit and lift the confidentiality requirement allowing Tribal Members to view the audit, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

5. Approve the Cage Vault Audit and lift the confidentiality requirement allowing Tribal Members to view the audit

Motion by Tehassi Hill to approve the Cage Vault Audit and lift the confidentiality requirement allowing Tribal Members to view the audit, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

6. Approve the Player Tracking Compliance Audit and lift the confidentiality requirement allowing Tribal Members to view the audit

Motion by Tehassi Hill to approve the Player Tracking Compliance Audit and lift the confidentiality requirement allowing Tribal Members to view the audit, seconded by Lisa Summers. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

7. Approve the Blackjack Rules of Play Audit and lift the confidentiality requirement allowing Tribal Members to view the audit

Motion by Tehassi Hill to approve the Blackjack Rules of Play Audit and lift the confidentiality requirement allowing Tribal Members to view the audit, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

D. Unfinished Business (No Requested Action)

E. Tabled Business (No Requested Action)

F. New Business

1. Approve Attorney Contract #2014-1491

Sponsor: Gerald L. Hill, Chief Appellate Judge and Denice E. Beans, Chief Trial Judge

Motion by Lisa Summers to approve the attorney contract for Paul Stenzel #2014-1491, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

2. Review Tribal Member Complaint Re: Child Protective Board

Sponsor: Melinda J. Danforth, Tribal Vice-Chairwoman

Motion by Lisa Summers to request a meeting with the Child Protective Board on the identified issues, seconded by Fawn Billie. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

Motion by Lisa Summers to direct the Law Office to create a policy statement and to request the Legislative Operating Committee consider the Children's Code a priority, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Brandon Stevens

Motion by Lisa Summers to deny the financial request, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Brandon Stevens

Motion by Lisa Summers to request the Law Office submit a formal response to the complainants on behalf of the Business Committee, seconded by Tehassi Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Brandon Stevens

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to recess at 11:41 a.m. and return at 1:30 p.m., seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Melinda J. Danforth, Tehassi Hill,
Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Brandon Stevens

XVII. Adjourn

Motion by Lisa Summers to adjourn at 2:05 p.m., seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Trish King, Lisa Summers, Fawn Billie, Tehassi Hill, Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens

Minutes prepared by Lisa Liggins, Executive Assistant

Minutes approved as presented/corrected on February 11, 2015.



Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE