



Oneida Business Committee

Special Meeting
2:00 PM Tuesday, December 06, 2022
Virtual Meeting - Microsoft Teams¹

Minutes

SPECIAL MEETING

Present: Chairman Tehassi Hill, Vice-Chairman Brandon Stevens, Secretary Lisa Liggins, Council members: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Marie Cornelius, Jennifer Webster;

Not Present: Treasurer Tina Danforth;

Arrived at: Councilman Kirby Metoxen at 2:06 p.m.;

Others present: Jo Anne House, Melinda J. Danforth, Mark W. Powless, Louise Cornelius, Todd VanDen Heuvel, Kaylynn Gresham, Katsitsiyo Danforth, Danelle Wilson, Kristal Hill, Rhiannon Metoxen, Rae Skenandore, Justin Nishimoto, Clorissa Leeman, RaLinda Ninham-Lamberies, Melanie Burkhart, Debra Danforth, Grace Elliott, Carolyn Salutz, Michelle Tipple, Stacy Stevens, Patricia King, Mary Graves, Mike Debraska, Aliskwet Ellis;

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chairman Tehassi Hill at 2:01 p.m.

For the record: Treasurer Tina Danforth is out on leave.

II. OPENING (00:00:31)

Opening provided by Chairman Tehassi Hill.

III. ADOPT THE AGENDA (00:02:04)

Motion by Marie Cornelius to adopt the agenda with four (4) additions [1) under the Travel Requests section, add item entitled Approve the travel request - Rae Skenandore and Kristal Hill - M3 Meeting for 2023 Indigenous Games - Halifax, NS - January 15-18, 2023; 2) add section entitled Executive Session, New Business; 3) under the Executive Session, New Business section, add item entitled Review the Finance Committee investigation request and determine next steps; and 4) under the Executive Session, New Business section, add item entitled Review Reporting Stipends Received from an External Entity work standard and determine next steps], seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes:	Marie Cornelius, Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster
Not Present:	Tina Danforth, Kirby Metoxen

¹ Microsoft Teams is software which provides a communication and collaboration platform for workplace chat, file sharing, and video meetings.

IV. TRAVEL REQUESTS

- A. Enter the e-poll results into the record for the failed travel request for Councilwoman Marie Cornelius to attend the Film Premiere Event in Washington DC - December 13-14, 2022 (00:04:24)**
Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Councilman Kirby Metoxen arrived at 2:06 p.m.

Motion by Lisa Liggins to enter the e-poll results into the record for the failed travel request for Councilwoman Marie Cornelius to attend the Film Premiere Event in Washington, D.C. - December 13-14, 2022, seconded by David P. Jordan. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster
Abstained: Marie Cornelius
Not Present: Tina Danforth

- B. Reconsider the travel request from Councilwoman Marie Cornelius in accordance with section 5.1.a. of the SOP entitled Conducting Electronic Voting (00:05:57)**
Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Lisa Liggins to reconsider the travel request from Councilwoman Marie Cornelius in accordance with section 5.1.a. of the SOP entitled Conducting Electronic Voting, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster
Abstained: Marie Cornelius
Not Present: Tina Danforth

Motion by Jennifer Webster to approve travel request for Councilwoman Marie Cornelius to attend the Film Premiere Event in Washington, D.C. - December 13-14, 2022, seconded by Lisa Liggins. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster
Abstained: Marie Cornelius
Not Present: Tina Danforth

For the record: Councilman Kirby Metoxen stated, I've always been told that when it comes to tribal issues, I know this came in late and that's why it was going on the e-poll, typically it would have been on the agenda of the Business Committee, but because the invite came after the fact, it was then it went to the e-poll so I support that. When issues like this, invites like this, come to tribes I think it's very critical that tribal representation is at the table. One being that I've always been told when it comes to tribal issues like this, if you're not at the table, you're on the menu and I appreciate our tribe being at the table. Thank you.

For the record: Councilwoman Jennifer Webster stated, I appreciate the council. I know we were having an issue with having a meeting on the 13th of making quorum. I really appreciate, we were scheduled to have three other people out at MAST, so I appreciate the consideration to hold somebody back from MAST so that we can have quorum to conduct tribal business here. Thank you.

For the record: Secretary Lisa Liggins stated, I, along with Councilwoman Jennifer Webster, thank Councilman Kirby Metoxen for staying back from MAST so that we can continue to conduct business on December 14th.

- C. Approve the travel request - Rae Skenandore and Kristal Hill - M3 Meeting for 2023 Indigenous Games - Halifax, NS - January 15-18, 2023 (00:16:24)**
Sponsor: Rae Skenandore, Budget Analyst

Motion by Jennifer Webster to approve the travel request for Rae Skenandore and Kristal Hill to attend the M3 Meeting for 2023 Indigenous Games in Halifax, NS - January 15-18, 2023, seconded by Kirby Metoxen. Motion carried:

Ayes: Marie Cornelius, Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth

Motion by Lisa Liggins to approve funding for the travel request for the Northern American Indigenous Games M3 meeting to come from the BC Special Projects line, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Marie Cornelius, Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth

V. GENERAL TRIBAL COUNCIL

- A. Review General Tribal Council meeting masking requirement request and determine next steps (00:25:00)**
Sponsor: Jennifer Webster, Councilwoman

Motion by Jennifer Webster to approve require masking at the in-person General Tribal Council meetings, seconded by David P. Jordan. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster
Opposed: Marie Cornelius
Not Present: Tina Danforth

- B. Approve notice and materials for January 30, 2023, tentatively scheduled annual General Tribal Council meeting (01:01:56)**
Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Lisa Liggins to approve February 27, 2023, as the inclement weather date for the January 30, 2023, tentatively scheduled annual General Tribal Council meeting, seconded by Marie Cornelius. Motion carried:

Ayes: Marie Cornelius, Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth

Motion by Lisa Liggins to approve notice and materials for January 30, 2023, tentatively scheduled annual General Tribal Council meeting noting the public health and safety protocols page as well as the public health and safety memorandum will be update in accordance with the prior discussion and noting the finalized project plan, PowerPoint, and timeline may be slightly updated for the On^yote?a?ká ni?i project plan, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Marie Cornelius, Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION (01:09:56)

Motion by Lisa Liggins to go into executive session at 3:11 p.m., seconded by Marie Cornelius. Motion carried:

Ayes: Marie Cornelius, Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins,
Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth

Vice-Chairman Brandon Stevens and Councilman Daniel Guzman King left at 4:20 p.m.

Motion by Jennifer Webster to come out of executive session at 5:05 p.m., seconded by David P. Jordan. Motion carried:

Ayes: Marie Cornelius, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Daniel Guzman King, Brandon Stevens

A. NEW BUSINESS

1. Review the Finance Committee investigation request and determine next steps (01:11:23)

Sponsor: RaLinda Ninham-Lamberies, Interim Chief Financial Officer

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the information from the Finance Committee and to direct the General Manager to follow-up on the processes and procedures, seconded by Marie Cornelius. Motion carried:

Ayes: Marie Cornelius, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Daniel Guzman King, Brandon Stevens

2. Review Reporting Stipends Received from an External Entity work standard and determine next steps (01:12:03)

Sponsor: Marie Cornelius, Councilwoman

Motion by Jennifer Webster to defer this item to the December 20, 2022, BC work session, seconded by Lisa Liggins. Motion carried:

Ayes: Marie Cornelius, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth, Daniel Guzman King, Brandon Stevens

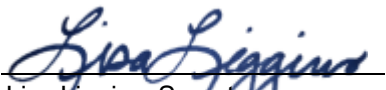
VII. ADJOURN (01:13:00)

Motion by Kirby Metoxen to adjourn at 5:07 p.m., seconded by Marie Cornelius. Motion carried:

Ayes: Marie Cornelius, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Tina Danforth, Daniel Guzman King, Brandon Stevens

Minutes prepared by Aliskwet Ellis, Senior Information Management Specialist.
Minutes approved as presented on December 28, 2022.



Lisa Liggins, Secretary
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