



Oneida Business Committee

Regular Meeting
8:30 AM Wednesday, July 12, 2023
Virtual Meeting – Microsoft Teams¹

Minutes

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Not Present: Treasurer Tina Danforth

Others present: Jo. A. House, Keith Doxtator, Mark W. Powless, Kristine Hill

REGULAR MEETING

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

Not Present: Treasurer Tina Danforth

Others present: Jo A. House, Todd Vanden Heuvel, Keith Doxtator, Mark W. Powless, Justin Nishimoto, Katsitsiyo Danforth, Kaylynn Gresham, Rae M. Skenandore, Clorissa Leeman, Michelle Danforth-Anderson, Jessica Vandekamp, Lisa Summers, Brooke Doxtator, Vanessa Miller, Hodazha-Maninga Pidgeon, Rhiannon Metoxen, Danelle Wilson, Melanie Burkhart, Maureen Metoxen, Patricia King, Lori Hill, Nicole Rommel, Kristal Hill, Kristine Hill, Debbie Melchert, Jameson Wilson, Aliskwet Ellis, Fawn Billie, Martin Prevost, Shannon Davis, Carol Silva, Grace Elliott, Mary Graves;

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chairman Tehassi Hill at 8:32 a.m.

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

II. OPENING (00:00:50)

Opening provided by Councilman Kirby Metoxen.

III. ADOPT THE AGENDA (00:01:10)

Motion by Jennifer Webster to adopt the agenda with three (3) additions [1) under the New Business section, add item entitled Review Meat Processing Facility Project proposal and determine next steps; 2) under the New Business section, add sub-item entitled The Oneida Nation Indigenous Animal Harvesting and Meat Processing Grant Application; and 3) add new section entitled Travel Requests and add item entitled Approve the travel request - Business Committee members - Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes (MAST) - Keshena, WI - July 19-20, 2023], seconded by David P. Jordan. Motion carried:

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

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

IV. OATH OF OFFICE

- A. Oneida Election Board Ad Hoc Committee - Justine Huff and Mary King (00:02:30)**
Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Oaths of office were administered by Secretary Lisa Liggins. Justine Huff and Mary King were present.

V. MINUTES

- A. Approve the revised March 22, 2023, regular Business Committee meeting minutes (00:05:28)**
Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Jennifer Webster to approve the revised March 22, 2023, regular Business Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Lisa Liggins. Motion carried:

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

- B. Approve the revised April 12, 2023, regular Business Committee meeting minutes (00:06:52)**
Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Lisa Liggins to approve the revised April 12, 2023, regular Business Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

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

- C. Approve the June 28, 2023, regular Business Committee meeting minutes (00:07:25)**
Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Lisa Liggins to approve the June 28, 2023, regular Business Committee meeting minutes, seconded by David P. Jordan. Motion carried:

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

VI. RESOLUTIONS

- A. Adopt resolution entitled Participation in Kunhi-Yo (I am healthy) 2023 Conference (00:07:57)**
Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Lisa Liggins to adopt resolution entitled 07-12-23-A Participation in Kunhi-Yo (I am healthy) 2023 Conference, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

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

- B. Adopt resolution entitled Encouraging Tribal Employees to Volunteer in the Bicentennial (00:09:45)**
Sponsor: Mark W. Powless, General Manager

Motion by Jennifer Webster to adopt resolution entitled 07-12-23-B Encouraging Tribal Employees to Volunteer in the Bicentennial with two (2) noted changes [1) delete "200 year" throughout the resolution and title; and 2) add an additional resolve to state, "BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Oneida Business Committee directs the Executive HR Director to inform supervisors and employees of this action."], seconded by David P. Jordan. Motion carried:

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

- C. Adopt resolution entitled Authorization of 80 hours of Trade Back for Cash for Fiscal Year 2023 (00:14:16)**
Sponsor: Todd VanDen Heuvel, Executive HR Director

Motion by David P. Jordan to adopt resolution entitled 07-12-23-C Authorization of 80 hours of Trade Back for Cash for Fiscal Year 2023, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

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

Item VIII. was addressed next.

VII. TRAVEL REQUESTS

- A. Approve the travel request - Business Committee members - Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes (MAST)- Keshena, WI - July 19-20, 2023 (01:03:24)**
Sponsor: David P. Jordan, Councilman

Motion by Kirby Metoxen to approve five (5) Business Committee members to attend the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes meeting to include, Chairman Tehassi Hill, Vice-Chairman Brandon Stevens, Councilmembers, Jennifer Webster, David P. Jordan and Daniel Guzman King, seconded by David P. Jordan. Motion carried:

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

For the record: Councilman Kirby Metoxen stated, M.A.S.T. has been all over the Midwest area and it's right here in our backyard and that's why we're asking that tribal government officials be allowed to attend it.

Item IX.A.1. was addressed next.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approve appointment of Dr. Lisa Slaby to the Optometry Examining Board with term ending July 1, 2027 (00:15:25)

Sponsor: Jennifer Webster, Councilwoman

Motion by David P. Jordan to approve appointment of Dr. Lisa Slaby to the Optometry Examining Board with term ending July 1, 2027, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Tina Danforth

B. Approve appointment of David Larson to the Nursing Home Administrator Examining Board with term ending July 1, 2027 (00:17:45)

Sponsor: Jennifer Webster, Councilwoman

Motion by David P. Jordan to approve appointment of David Larson to the Nursing Home Administrator Examining Board with term ending July 1, 2027, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Tina Danforth

C. Review Great Law Recital employee participation proposal and determine next steps (00:18:22)

Sponsor: Todd VanDen Heuvel, Executive HR Director

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the Great Law Recital employee participation proposal as information and direct the Secretary to process an e-poll for a resolution providing eight (8) hours of paid work time to employees to participate in the Great Law Recital, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Brandon Stevens,
Jennifer Webster

Opposed: Kirby Metoxen

Not Present: Tina Danforth

Secretary Lisa Liggins left 9:04 a.m.

Secretary Lisa Liggins returned at 9:09 a.m.

**D. Review Meat Processing Facility Project proposal and determine next steps
(00:32:51)**

Sponsor: Mark W. Powless, General Manager

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the meat processing facility project proposal as information, noting the proposal is an alignment with BC resolution 11-13-21-D Support of Food Sovereignty and Food Sovereignty Policy, as well as the Oneida Nation Food Sovereignty Strategic Plan, seconded by Daniel Guzman King. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Tina Danforth

1. Adopt resolution entitled The Oneida Nation Indigenous Animal Harvesting and Meat Processing Grant Application (01:02:13)

Sponsor: Mark W. Powless, General Manager

Motion by Lisa Liggins to adopt resolution entitled 07-12-23-D The Oneida Nation Indigenous Animal Harvesting and Meat Processing Grant Application, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Tina Danforth

Item VII.A. was addressed next.

IX. GENERAL TRIBAL COUNCIL

A. PETITIONER LINDA DALLAS - Accept the fiscal impact statement - petition # 2023-30, 2023-31

1. Accept the fiscal impact statement - petition # 2023-30 (01:06:47)

Sponsor: Keith Doxtator, Chief Financial Officer

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the fiscal impact statements for petitions # 2023-30 and 2023-31, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Tina Danforth

2. Fiscal impact statement - petition # 2023-31 (01:06:47)

Sponsor: Keith Doxtator, Chief Financial Officer

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the fiscal impact statements for petitions # 2023-30 and 2023-31, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Tina Danforth

B. PETITIONER LINDA DALLAS - Accept the legal review - petition # 2023-31

1. Legal review - petition # 2023-31 (01:07:48)

Sponsor: Jo Anne House, Chief Counsel

Motion by Jennifer Webster to accept the legal review - petition # 2023-31, seconded by Lisa Liggins.
Motion carried:

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

C. PETITIONER RAYMOND SKENANDORE - Accept the fiscal impact statement - petition # 2023-32

1. Fiscal impact statement - petition # 2023-32 (01:09:02)

Sponsor: Keith Doxtator, Chief Financial Officer

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the fiscal impact statement - petition # 2023-32, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

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

D. PETITIONER RAYMOND SKENANDORE - Accept the legal review - petition # 2023-32

1. Legal review - petition # 2023-32 (01:09:38)

Sponsor: Jo Anne House, Chief Counsel

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the legal review - petition # 2023-32, seconded by Jennifer Webster.
Motion carried:

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

E. Determine next steps regarding Petitioner Linda Dallas - petition # 2023-07 and # 2023-11 (01:12:25)

Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Jennifer Webster to deny presentation of petition # 2023-07 and # 2023-11 to the General Tribal Council as they violate the Constitution and laws of the Oneida Nation as identified in the May 16, 2023, and the May 19, 2023, legal reviews; and to direct the Secretary to provide notice to the petitioner, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried:

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

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by David P. Jordan to go into executive session at 9:47 a.m., seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

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

Motion by David P. Jordan to come out of executive session at 10:33 a.m., seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

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

A. REPORTS

1. Accept the Chief Counsel report (01:16:42)

Sponsor: Jo Anne House, Chief Counsel

Motion by David P. Jordan to accept the Chief Counsel report, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

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

2. Accept the General Manager report (01:17:05)

Sponsor: Mark W. Powless, General Manager

Motion by Jennifer Webster to accept the General Manager report, seconded by David P. Jordan. Motion carried:

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

B. AUDIT COMMITTEE

1. Accept the Bingo compliance audit and lift the confidentiality requirement (01:17:28)

Sponsor: David P. Jordan, Councilman

Motion by Jennifer Webster to accept the Bingo compliance audit and lift the confidentiality requirement, seconded by Lisa Liggins. Motion carried:

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

2. Accept the Drop and Count compliance audit and lift the confidentiality requirement (01:17:58)

Sponsor: David P. Jordan, Councilman

Motion by Jennifer Webster to accept the Drop and Count compliance audit and lift the confidentiality requirement, seconded by Kirby Metoxen. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Tina Danforth

3. Accept the Oneida Nation Museum controls assessment audit and lift the confidentiality requirement (01:18:26)

Sponsor: David P. Jordan, Councilman

Motion by Jennifer Webster to accept the Oneida Nation Museum controls assessment audit and lift the confidentiality requirement, seconded by Lisa Liggins. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Tina Danforth

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve amendment #2 to the employment contract with DR09 - file # 2021-0563 (01:18:54)

Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Jennifer Webster to approve amendment #2 to the employment contract with DR09 - file # 2021-0563, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Tina Danforth

2. Review proposed amendment to employment agreement and determine next steps (01:19:32)

Sponsor: Tehassi Hill, Chairman

Motion by Lisa Liggins to approve the employment contract amendment template and authorize the Government Operations Manager to complete the necessary follow up, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Tina Danforth

XI. ADJOURN

Motion by David P. Jordan to adjourn at 10:38 a.m., seconded by Kirby Metoxen. Motion carried:
Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen,
Brandon Stevens, Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Tina Danforth

Minutes prepared by Fawn Billie, Information Management Specialist.
Minutes approved as presented on August 2, 2023.



Lisa Liggins, Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE