

2023 4th Quarter report

For Boards, Committees, and Commissions (BCCs)

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SOUTHEASTERN WI ONEIDA TRIBAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

Purpose:

The Advisory Board was established for the purposes of providing advice and constructive input to the Southeastern Wisconsin Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS) Manager, working in partnership to formulate social services programs for the Oneida people residing in Southeastern Wisconsin by, including, but not limited to: 1. Acting as ambassadors for the SEOTS program by promoting its mission whenever possible; 2. Reviewing the SEOTS program's budget; 3. Guiding and advising the SEOTS administration; 4. Adhering to the appropriate chain of command in any and all relative communications with the Oneida Business Committee; and 5. Carrying out all other powers and/or duties delegated to SEOTS by the laws and/or policies of the Nation.

BCC Members

Diane Hill
Chair
3/31/2024

Lloyd Ninham
Secretary
2/28/2025

Natysha Reed
Member
3/31/2024

Debra Fabian
Member
3/31/2024

Michael Coleman
Vice-Chair
2/28/2025

Judy Dordel
Member
3/31/2025

Kathleen (Kitty) Hill
Member
3/31/2024

Substantiated Complaints (if applicable)

Per § 105.12-4.(a) of the [Boards, Committees and Commissions law](#), annual and semi-annual reports shall contain information on the number of substantiated complaints against all members of the entity.

Per § 105.3-1.(q) a "Substantiated complaint" means a complaint or allegation in a complaint that was found to be valid by clear and convincing evidence.

NUMBER OF SUBSTANTIATED COMPLAINTS: None

Meetings

Held every 2nd Monday of each month, via Microsoft Teams at 6 PM.

Emergency Meetings: None

Contact Info

CONTACT: Diane Hill/Michael Coleman

TITLE: SEOTS Advisory Board Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson

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MAIN WEBSITE: <https://oneida-nsn.gov/government/boards-committees-and-commissions/appointed/#Southeastern-Wisconsin-Oneida-Tribal-Services-Advisory-Board>

Outcome/Goal # 1

Support the community by communicating about the resources via social media, word of mouth, and mailers.

IS THIS A LONG-TERM OR QUARTERLY GOAL? Long-term

GOOD GOVERNANCE PRINCIPLE:

Participation - Fostering a system in which the public feels that they are part of decision-making processes, including freedom of expression and assiduous concern for the best interests of the Tribe and community in general

HOW OUTCOME/GOAL SUPPORTS THE GOOD GOVERNANCE PRINCIPLE:

Being able to interact with the community openly, with multiple options of relaying information, will lead the way for all (3) Good Governance Principles to benefit tribal members that live outside of the reservation, and within the SEOTS constituency.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS REGARDING THE OUTCOME/GOAL:

The SEOTS Advisory Board Facebook Page posted timely information on available services,

health and wellness presentations, outdoor & sports events for youth and families, elder luncheons, annual SEOTS Picnic, back-to-school giveaways, and a link to a WI Foodie documentary on Ancient Heirloom White Corn. Announcements for cultural and annual activities included the Oneida Nation Powwow, the Bicentennial Celebration, Voting in the General Election, Oneida Language opportunities, Green Corn Ceremony and Apple Orchard offerings.

EXPECTATIONS/FUTURE PLANS REGARDING THE OUTCOME/GOAL:

The SEOTS Advisory Board continues to provide local as well as Oneida Nation services, cultural and special event information to keep the community informed. Outreach efforts for tribal members in the 6-county constituency of Southeastern Wisconsin communicates, in a timely manner, the many current and future opportunities available to the community. Two (2) board members provide administrative support for the Advisory Board Facebook page which includes contact information for questions or concerns. SEOTS Administration has a separate Facebook page maintained by the SEOTS Manager. Informative flyers are posted in the office and postcard mailers are sent to members announcing monthly services and event dates.

Outcome/Goal # 2

Engage with the community for services available: Food, health, clothing, etc.

IS THIS A LONG-TERM OR QUARTERLY GOAL? Long-term

GOOD GOVERNANCE PRINCIPLE:

Equity and Inclusiveness - Providing the opportunity for the Nation's stakeholders to maintain, enhance, or generally improve their well-being which provides the most compelling message regarding its reason for existence and value to the Nation

HOW OUTCOME/GOAL SUPPORTS THE GOOD GOVERNANCE PRINCIPLE:

Being able to engage with the community and encourage them on how to better care for themselves and the welfare of their descendants.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS REGARDING THE OUTCOME/GOAL:

The 4th quarter covered the busy summer season. Two part-time administrative staff and a summer intern helped with the semi-monthly elder luncheons, relieving a few board members who had been volunteering on a regular basis. The new assistants also provided social services, summer youth programming, weekly prescription distribution and daily communication with tribal members via walk-in or telephone. During this last quarter of FY2023, the community benefited from ongoing services like luncheons, distribution of elder food boxes, numerous presentations by the Hunger Task Force, landlord/tenant rights,

Medicare and other wellness opportunities, Summer Youth activities, the SEOTS “Closet” clothing giveaway and back-to school supplies for needy families.

EXPECTATIONS/FUTURE PLANS REGARDING THE OUTCOME/GOAL:

To continue achieving community goals the Advisory Board submitted the FY2024 SEOTS Advisory Board budget request, in line with the BC Resolution #06-14-23-E, maintaining FY2023 levels with no increase.

Outcome/Goal # 3

Host community engagement events: annual community picnic and other event(s) in collaboration with other Tribal agencies located in Milwaukee.

IS THIS A LONG-TERM OR QUARTERLY GOAL? Long-term

GOOD GOVERNANCE PRINCIPLE:

Participation - Fostering a system in which the public feels that they are part of decision-making processes, including freedom of expression and assiduous concern for the best interests of the Tribe and community in general

HOW OUTCOME/GOAL SUPPORTS THE GOOD GOVERNANCE PRINCIPLE:

A welcoming environment establishes trust and promotes unity. So, if there are things that need to be done which require specific approval, a representative or two (2) would be able to attend the event. Doing so would clear the path to allow the development of the most precious resource, our people. Such events would bolster the spirits of those who would attend, from our elders to the infants and everyone in-between.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS REGARDING THE OUTCOME/GOAL:

The board encouraged members to vote in the July 15th General Election facilitated at the SEOTS office by Oneida Trust Enrollment staff. The annual SEOTS Picnic, held at Humboldt Park on August 5th, was a great success with over 130 tribal members attending, and an abundance of donated food and raffle prizes secured by the SEOTS Manager and staff. All board members helped with planning, setup, serving and socializing with families at the picnic which was also attended by a few BC liaisons.

EXPECTATIONS/FUTURE PLANS REGARDING THE OUTCOME/GOAL:

The Board discussed meaningful ways to meet the needs of southeastern Wisconsin tribal members and is entertaining ideas for special community and fundraising plans to support those efforts. Some ideas include offsetting costs by collaborating with other Native-serving agencies in Milwaukee. Post-Covid, the community has expressed an interest in resuming “after-hours” activities like cultural, language, crafts, and other social events at the SEOTS office. The board is considering how to provide these services with a modest budget and limited staff availability.

The Oneida general election resulted in a new Business Committee and meeting schedules have been adjusted to coincide with changes in BC and GTC meetings in 2024. Kirby Metoxen is the newly appointed BC Liaison for the SEOTS Advisory Board, replacing Daniel Guzman-King who retired from the BC. The SEOTS Advisory Board thanks Councilman Guzman-King for his many years of service to the community.

The Advisory Board approved and submitted its revised By-Laws. Strategic Planning session(s) have been moved to the FY2024 agenda. It should be noted that four (4) of the seven (7) board members terms will be expiring at the end of the 2nd quarter (March 31, 2024) next year.

Stipends

Per the Boards, Committees, and Commissions law, stipends are set via OBC resolution. BC resolution # 04-13-22-B sets the stipend amounts.

Budget Information

<u>FY-2023 BUDGET:</u>	\$13,300
<u>FY-2023 EXPENDITURES AS OF END OF REPORTING PERIOD: AUGUST 31, 2023</u>	\$ 7,440.00

Requests

The SEOTS Advisory Board appreciates the economic and moral support of the Oneida Business Committee as we move forward. We request the OBC continue to support the families of the SEOTS service area by providing for the requested 2024 budget in full as we continue to offer much-needed social services to the Oneida residing in the six counties of Southeastern Wisconsin. Yaw^ko.

Other

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