

FY-2024 1st (Oct - Dec) Quarter Report

Oneida Nation School Board

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PURPOSE

The Board was established to coordinate existing and future education programs of the Oneida Nation; per directive of the Oneida General Tribal Council, to be an autonomous administrator of the Oneida Nation School System ("System") under a Memorandum of Agreement with the Oneida Business Committee; and to administer the Oneida Nation School System Endowment in accordance with the Nation's Endowments law as authorized under resolution BC-02-27-19-B.

AUTHORITY

In accordance with the Oneida General Tribal Council's directive, on March 21, 1988, the Board entered into a Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") with the Oneida Business Committee, delegating certain powers and duties to the Board, which, subject to amendment from time-to-time hereafter, include, but are not limited to...

BCC MEMBERS

Sacheen Lawrence
Chair
7/31/2025

Kathleen Cornelius
Member At large
7/31/2025

Katsitsiyo Danforth
Vice Chair
7/31/2026

Candace House
Member Parent
7/31/2026

Vicki L. Cornelius
Secretary
7/31/2024

Teresa Schuman
Member At large
7/31/2024

Barbara Cornelius
Member At large
7/31/2024

Vacant
Member
7/31/2024

Vacant
Member
7/31/2025

MEETINGS

1st Monday of each month. 2nd meeting is as needed.

5:00 p.m.

Oneida Nation Elementary School Library or Virtual via Microsoft Teams

Emergency Meetings: 10/10/2023 to address complaints with Oneida Language Immersion Program

CONTACT INFORMATION

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS

ACCOMPLISHMENT #1

Summary:

Oneida Nation School Board took action to support a community meeting for the building of a new Oneida Nation high school. Meeting was scheduled Wednesday, January 10, 2024, in the NHC/high school cafeteria. Meeting details were communicated to the community through social media outlets.

Impact:

A new high school will provide a necessary safe space, expand student learning opportunities, and will be competitive with surrounding school districts. We would like the Oneida Nation High School to be the school of choice for our native students. This project is supported by the Oneida Business Committee, and with the support of the GTC we will increase college and career readiness for our students.

ACCOMPLISHMENT #2

Summary:

Reviewed and approved a new complaint process for school staff, parents, students, and community members

Impact:

The complaint process, policies, and adequate forms help to ensure the chain of command is followed and all resolutions are documented.

ACCOMPLISHMENT #3

Summary:

The Johnson O'Malley (J.O.M) Committee was re-established since the Covid 19 pandemic.

Impact:

The committee encourages parent involvement in providing input and identifying activities that support academic, mental, social, spiritual, and physical well-being for students in the school system.

GOALS

LONG-TERM GOAL #1

Develop a teacher retirement plan for the staff of the Oneida Nation School System. This promotes employee morale, competitiveness for recruitment of quality staff, and will be a longitudinal incentive for teachers to remain within the school system.

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Update on Goal:

Oneida Nation School Board took action to move forward with the next step of this project and coordinate a meeting with the Oneida Business Committee. Purpose of the meeting will identify the next steps the ONSB must take to develop teacher retirement plan.

QUARTERLY GOAL #1

Reviewed and updated Oneida Nation School Board bylaws

Improving Organizational Changes

Update on Goal:

Through review of the bylaws, all members were able to provide input and discuss recommended changes that would benefit not only the Board, but staff and the community as well. The suggested changes will be routed to the Legislative Operating Committee for review. The last time the bylaws were reviewed was 2022.

STIPENDS

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

	Total dollar amount paid	Number of stipend type		
		Regular Mtg	Emergency Mtg	Hearings/Other
October 2023	\$1975	2	1	2
November 2023	\$1425	2	0	2
December 2023	\$1900	3	0	3

BUDGET

FY-2024 BUDGET: \$64,952.00

FY-2024 EXPENDITURES AS OF END OF REPORTING PERIOD: \$6,809.00

Current budgetary expenses are for supplies and stipends. Projected budgetary uses for the second quarter are anticipated to be similar.

REQUESTS

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OTHER

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