

FY-2024 2nd (Jan - Mar) 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
School Board Chair
7/31/2025

Katsitsiyo Danforth
Vice Chair
7/31/2026

Vicki L. Cornelius
Secretary
7/31/2024

Barbara Cornelius
Member At-large
7/31/2024

Kathleen Cornelius
Member At-large
7/31/2025

Candace House
Parent Member
7/31/2025

Teresa Schuman
Member At-large
7/31/2024

Melissa Skenandore
Parent Member
7/31/2024

MEETINGS

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

5 p.m.

Oneida Nation Elementary School Library or Virtual via Microsoft Teams

Emergency Meetings: 0

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. A second meeting was scheduled for March 20, 2024. The high school principal is collaborating with area managers who currently have items on the CIP list. Meeting details are continuing to be communicated to the community through social media outlets.

Impact: Community members will realize how critical the need is for our youth to be able to have their own high school with the necessary educational equipment, resources, and programs to help parents educate and motivate them to be productive citizens.

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 also be able to increase college and career readiness for our students.

Accomplishment #2

Summary:

The elementary school's Honor's and Excellent Attendance Assembly has been reintroduced since the pandemic. The first assembly is for quarter 3 grades and attendance and will be held in May.

Impact:

Formal recognition to honor students for their accomplishments.

Accomplishment #3

Summary:

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

Impact:

Field trip requests were approved to allow students to participate in activities outside of the school.

GOALS

Long-term Goal #1

Develop a ONSS staff pension 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 staff to remain within the school system.

Update on Goal:

The high school principal had been delegated to lead and form an ONSS staff pension plan committee.

Long-term Goal #2

[Click here to enter a long-term goal – 25 words or less](#)

[Click here to enter how your long-term goal supports your Strategic Plan or the Nation's Vision](#)

Update on Goal:

[Click here to enter your update on Goal – less than 200 words](#)

Quarterly Goal #1

Reviewed and updated Oneida Nation School Board bylaws

Reviewing and updating the School Board's Bylaws help keep the communication open as well as maintaining consistency of items and topics in question. School Board members as well as members of the community have access to read the bylaws to answer questions.

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.

Quarterly Goal #2

Update on Goal:

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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/Joint Mtg	Hearings/Other
January 2024	1325	1	0	8
February 2024	1450	2	0	2
March 2024	2200	2	1	0

BUDGET

FY-2024 BUDGET: \$64,952

FY-2024 EXPENDITURES AS OF END OF REPORTING PERIOD: \$11,568

Budget has been used mainly for stipends. There are anticipated meeting expenses in the next quarter as the School Board has a 3-day training with the BIE scheduled in May 2024.

REQUESTS

Enter request(s), if needed.

OTHER

Enter other information, if needed.