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BC Resolution # 04-14-25-A Supporting the 2025 Tribal Leadership Academy at Dartmouth Attendance

- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section 1, of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee is responsible for interacting and working with Tribal, federal, state and local government entities and officials; and
- WHEREAS,** at the beginning of each term the Oneida Business Committee adopts liaison responsibilities through resolution, for this term resolution # BC-09-13-23-G identifies the liaison responsibilities for Tribal, state or federal entities or agencies; and
- WHEREAS,** liaison responsibilities, as identified in resolution # BC-09-13-23-G, are:
1. Foster open communications and a government-to-government relationship with liaison area.
 2. Maintain and respect confidentiality of information passed between the Oneida Nation and the entity.
 3. Function as a communication agent and/or act to facilitate the transfer of information between the entity and the Oneida Business Committee through communication, attending liaison area meetings, and scheduling meetings between the area and the Oneida Business Committee.
 4. Present information, concerns, and questions from the Oneida Business Committee to the liaison entity and from the liaison area to the Oneida Business Committee in a timely manner to allow the greatest possible opportunity to resolve concerns and address questions by the Oneida Business Committee or liaison area.
 5. Function as the governmental spokesperson for government-to-government communication, to provide testimony at hearings, and obtaining Oneida Business Committee approval of such testimony to maintain a consistent Tribal position throughout the Tribe or Indian country as appropriate; and
- WHEREAS,** the 2025 Tribal Leadership Academy at Dartmouth provides a place for newly elected or appointed tribal governmental leaders to engage with each other and with experienced faculty presenters on governance matters of vital importance to tribal nations; and

- WHEREAS,** the learning and networking opportunities provided by the 2025 Tribal Leadership Academy will create opportunities to advance the goals of the Oneida Nation through the liaison responsibilities as well as part of their responsibilities as elected officials of the Oneida Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has reviewed this learning and networking opportunity and believes that the skills and partnerships that will be developed during participation in the 2025 Tribal Leadership Academy will have a positive impact on the Nation through the transfer of knowledge, new skills and new partnerships brought back; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee believes that the processes utilized at the 2025 Tribal Leadership Academy can be brought back to the Oneida Nation and integrated into the transition process for newly elected Oneida Business Committee members as well as part of creating the expectations in engaging with senior leadership of the Nation and outside of the Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Leadership Academy Faculty Director indicated in the announcement for the 2025 Tribal Leadership Academy that those individuals who direct a major tribal office or division may also apply; and
- WHEREAS,** the 2025 Tribal Leadership Academy application requires the identification of alternate tribal leader(s) who can attend if the primary applicant(s) are unable to attend due to an unexpected or unforeseeable event; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oneida Business Committee supports the application of the following individuals to participate in the 2025 Tribal Leadership Academy at Dartmouth: Mark W. Powless, General Manager; and Cheryl-Aliskwet Ellis, Intergovernmental Affairs Specialist.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Oneida Business Committee supports the following individuals to participate as the alternate tribal leader(s) who can attend the 2025 Tribal Leadership Academy at Dartmouth if the primary applicant(s) are unable to attend due to an unexpected or unforeseeable event: Tana Aguirre, Local Lobbyist; Melanie Burkhart, Senior Organizational Development Specialist.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum; 9 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 14th day of April, 2025; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 8 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting*; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.



Lisa Liggins, Secretary
Oneida Business Committee

*According to the By-Laws, Article I, Section 1, the Chair votes "only in the case of a tie."