



Oneida Business Committee

Regular Meeting
8:30 AM Wednesday, October 08, 2025
BC Conference Room, 2nd floor, Norbert Hill Center

Minutes

REGULAR MEETING

Present: Chairman Tehassi Hill, Treasurer Lawrence Barton, Secretary Lisa Liggins, Council members: Jonas Hill, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson;

Not Present: Councilman Marlon Skenandore;

Arrived at: ;

Others present: Jo A. House, RaLinda Ninham-Lamberies, Mark W. Powless, Louise Cornelius (via Microsoft Teams¹), Kaylynn Biely (via Microsoft Teams), Melinda J. Danforth (via Microsoft Teams), Laura Laitinen-Warren (via Microsoft Teams), James Petitjean (via Microsoft Teams), Kristine Hill (via Microsoft Teams), Justin Nishimoto (via Microsoft Teams), Danelle Wilson (via Microsoft Teams), Kristal Hill (via Microsoft Teams), Rhiannon Metoxen (via Microsoft Teams), Janice Decorah (via Microsoft Teams), David Jordan (via Microsoft Teams), Fawn Cottrell (via Microsoft Teams), Fawn Billie (via Microsoft Teams), Clorissa Leeman (via Microsoft Teams), Ashley Blaker (via Microsoft Teams), Melissa Alvarado (via Microsoft Teams), Rae Skenandore (via Microsoft Teams), Loucinda Conway (via Microsoft Teams), Mary Graves (via Microsoft Teams), Tavia James-Charles (via Microsoft Teams), Grace Elliot (via Microsoft Teams), Carolyn Salutz (via Microsoft Teams), Tana Aguirre (via Microsoft Teams), Carl Artman (via Microsoft Teams), Brandon Yellowbird-Stevens (via Microsoft Teams), Olivia Pigman (via Microsoft Teams), Melanie Burkhart (via Microsoft Teams), Lori Hill (via Microsoft Teams), Michelle Danforth-Anderson (via Microsoft Teams), Debbie Melchert (via Microsoft Teams), Nicolas Reynolds (via Microsoft Teams), Kathleen Metoxen (via Microsoft Teams), Amber Vankirk (via Microsoft Teams), Lauren Hartman (via Microsoft Teams), Shannon Davis (via Microsoft Teams), Kimberly Skenandore, Mark Powless, Jerome Webster, Anthony Konkol, John Danforth, Jeff Bowman (via Microsoft Teams), Cheryl-Aliskwet Ellis (via Microsoft Teams), Brandon Wisneski (via Microsoft Teams), Bonnie Pigman (via Microsoft Teams);

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chairman Tehassi Hill at 8:31 a.m.

For the record: Councilman Marlon Skenandore is on leave.

II. OPENING (00:00:04)

Opening provided by Councilman Kirby Metoxen.

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

III. **ADOPT THE AGENDA (00:00:34)**

Motion by Lawrence Barton to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by Lisa Liggins. Motion carried:

Ayes:	Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson
Not Present:	Marlon Skenandore

IV. **OATH OF OFFICE (00:00:51)**

A. Oneida Election Board Ad Hoc Committee - Kalene White

Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

B. Oneida Election Board Alternate - Kalene White

Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

C. Oneida Nation School Board - Kimberly Skenandore

Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Oaths of office administered by Secretary Lisa Liggins. Kimberly Skenandore was present. Kalene White was not present.

V. **MINUTES**

A. Approve the September 26, 2025, regular Business Committee meeting minutes (00:03:12)

Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Kirby Metoxen to approve the September 26, 2025, regular Business Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes:	Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson
Not Present:	Marlon Skenandore

VI. **RESOLUTIONS**

A. Adopt resolution entitled Approval of FY 2026 Annual Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity for Real Estate Transactions Insured by First American Title Insurance Company (00:03:33)

Sponsor: Mark W. Powless, CEO-Nation Services

Motion by Jennifer Webster to adopt resolution # 10-08-25-A Approval of FY 2026 Annual Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity for Real Estate Transactions Insured by First American Title Insurance Company, seconded by Lawrence Barton. Motion carried:

Ayes:	Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson
Not Present:	Marlon Skenandore

VII. STANDING COMMITTEES

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. Accept the September 11, 2025, regular Finance Committee meeting minutes (00:04:19)

Sponsor: Lawrence Barton, Treasurer

Motion by Jonas Hill to accept the September 11, 2025, regular Finance Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson

Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

2. Accept the September 25, 2025, regular Finance Committee meeting minutes (00:04:40)

Sponsor: Lawrence Barton, Treasurer

Motion by Jonas Hill to accept the September 25, 2025, regular Finance Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson

Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

B. LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE

1. Accept the September 3, 2025, regular Legislative Operating Committee meeting minutes (00:04:58)

Sponsor: Jameson Wilson, Councilman

Motion by Jonas Hill to accept the September 3, 2025, regular Legislative Operating Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Kirby Metoxen. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson

Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

VIII. TRAVEL REPORTS

A. Approve the travel report - Councilman Kirby Metoxen - Santa Fe Indian Market (SFIM) - Santa Fe, NM - August 13-18, 2025 (00:05:20)

Sponsor: Kirby Metoxen, Councilman

Motion by Jonas Hill to approve the travel report from Councilman Kirby Metoxen for the Santa Fe Indian Market (SFIM) in Santa Fe, NM on August 13-18, 2025, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson

Abstained: Kirby Metoxen

Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

- B. Approve the travel report - Councilwoman Jennifer Webster - Bad River Health and Wellness Grand Opening - Bad River, WI - July 17-18, 2025 (00:05:47)**
Sponsor: Jennifer Webster, Councilwoman

Motion by Jonas Hill to approve the travel report from Councilwoman Jennifer Webster for the Bad River Health and Wellness Grand Opening in Bad River, WI on July 17-18, 2025, seconded by Kirby Metoxen. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jameson Wilson
Abstained: Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

- C. Approve the travel report - Councilwoman Jennifer Webster - Self Governance Meeting (IHS-TSGAC) - Washington, D.C. - July 22-25, 2025 (00:06:13)**
Sponsor: Jennifer Webster, Councilwoman

Motion by Jonas Hill to approve the travel report from Councilwoman Jennifer Webster for the Self Governance Meeting (IHS-TSGAC) in Washington, D.C. on July 22-25, 2025, seconded by Jameson Wilson. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jameson Wilson
Abstained: Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

- D. Approve the travel report - Councilwoman Jennifer Webster - 2025 Women are Sacred Conference - Milwaukee, WI - July 29-31, 2025 (00:06:41)**
Sponsor: Jennifer Webster, Councilwoman

Motion by Jonas Hill to approve the travel report from Councilwoman Jennifer Webster for the 2025 Women are Sacred Conference in Milwaukee, WI on July 29-31, 2025, seconded by Kirby Metoxen. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jameson Wilson
Abstained: Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

- E. Approve the travel report - Councilwoman Jennifer Webster - Administration for Children and Families (ACF) Consultation - Mille Lacs, MN - August 24-25, 2025 (00:07:09)**
Sponsor: Jennifer Webster, Councilwoman

Motion by Jonas Hill to approve the travel report from Councilwoman Jennifer Webster for the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) Consultation in Mille Lacs, MN on August 24-25, 2025, seconded by Kirby Metoxen. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jameson Wilson
Abstained: Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

- F. Approve the travel report - Councilwoman Jennifer Webster - National Indian Health Board Conference - Phoenix, AZ - September 8-11, 2025 (00:07:53)**
Sponsor: Jennifer Webster, Councilwoman

Motion by Jonas Hill to approve the travel report from Councilwoman Jennifer Webster for the National Indian Health Board Conference in Phoenix, AZ on September 8-11, 2025, seconded by Lawrence Barton. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jameson Wilson
Abstained: Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

IX. TRAVEL REQUESTS

- A. Approve the travel request - Councilwoman Jennifer Webster - Administration for Children and Families Tribal Advisory Committee (ACF) - Washington, D.C. - November 3-6, 2025 (00:08:29)**
Sponsor: Jennifer Webster, Councilwoman

Motion by Jonas Hill to approve the travel request from Councilwoman Jennifer Webster to attend the Administration for Children and Families Tribal Advisory Committee (ACF) in Washington, D.C. on November 3-6, 2025, seconded by Lawrence Barton. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jameson Wilson
Abstained: Jennifer Webster
Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

X. GENERAL TRIBAL COUNCIL

- A. Approve the notice and materials for the December 8, 2025, tentatively scheduled special General Tribal Council meeting (00:09:08)**
Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Jennifer Webster to approve the notice and materials for the December 8, 2025, tentatively scheduled special General Tribal Council meeting, seconded by Jameson Wilson. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson
Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION (00:11:43)

Motion by Jameson Wilson to go into executive session at 8:42 a.m., seconded by Jonas Hill. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson
Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

Motion by Lawrence Barton to come out of executive session at 11:44 a.m., seconded by Lisa Liggins. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson
Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

A. REPORTS

1. Accept the Intergovernmental Affairs and Self-Governance September report (00:11:44)

Sponsor: Melinda J. Danforth, Intergovernmental Affairs Director

Motion by Lawrence Barton to accept the Intergovernmental Affairs and Self-Governance September report, seconded by Lisa Liggins. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson
Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

2. Accept the CEO-Nation Services report (00:11:56)

Sponsor: Mark W. Powless, CEO-Nation Services

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the CEO-Nation Services report, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson
Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

3. Accept the Chief Counsel report (00:12:10)

Sponsor: Jo Anne House, Chief Counsel

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the Chief Counsel report, to approve the Attorney Contract – Oneida Law Office – file # 2019-1119, and to approve the Attorney Contract – Oneida Law Office - file # 2025-1161, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson
Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Determine next steps regarding the draft Oneida Nation SSBCI Loan Program Service Agreement (00:12:43)

Sponsor: RaLinda Ninhham-Lamberies, Chief Financial Officer

Motion by Lawrence Barton to accept the discussion regarding the draft Oneida Nation SSBCI Loan Program Service Agreement as information, seconded by Lisa Liggins. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson

Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

2. Accept the September 5, 2025, Business Committee Officer session notes (00:13:06)

Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the September 5, 2025, Business Committee Officer session notes, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson

Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

3. Approve five (5) new enrollments (00:13:18)

Sponsor: Jermaine Delgado, Chair/Oneida Trust Enrollment Committee

Motion by Lisa Liggins to approve five (5) new enrollments, seconded by Jameson Wilson. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson

Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

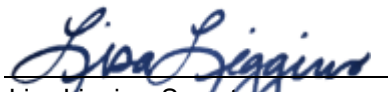
XII. ADJOURN (00:13:32)

Motion by Lisa Liggins to adjourn at 11:46 a.m., seconded by Jameson Wilson. Motion carried:

Ayes: Lawrence Barton, Jonas Hill, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Jameson Wilson

Not Present: Marlon Skenandore

Minutes prepared by Bonnie Pigman, Information Management Specialist.
Minutes approved as presented on October 22, 2025.



Lisa Liggins, Secretary

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