



# Oneida Business Committee

Special Meeting  
8:30 AM Monday, April 13, 2026  
BC Conference Room, 2nd Floor, Norbert Hill Center

## Minutes

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### **SPECIAL MEETING**

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

**Not Present:** Councilmen Jonas Hill, Kirby Metoxen, Marlon Skenandore;

**Arrived at:** n/a;

**Others present:** Jo A. House, Mark W. Powless, Justin Nishimoto (via Microsoft Teams<sup>1</sup>), Loucinda Conway (via Microsoft Teams), James Petitjean (via Microsoft Teams), Kaylynn Biely (via Microsoft Teams), Melinda J. Danforth (via Microsoft Teams), Lisa Summers (via Microsoft Teams), Kirby Metoxen (via Microsoft Teams), Danelle Wilson (via Microsoft Teams), Rhiannon Metoxen (via Microsoft Teams), Fawn Cottrell (via Microsoft Teams), Janice Decorah (via Microsoft Teams), Kristal Hill (via Microsoft Teams), Melissa Alvarado (via Microsoft Teams), Rae Skenandore (via Microsoft Teams), Mary Graves (via Microsoft Teams), Tavia James-Charles (via Microsoft Teams), Patricia King (via Microsoft Teams), Hill (via Microsoft Teams), Tina Jorgenson (via Microsoft Teams), Cheryl-Aliskwet Ellis (via Microsoft Teams), Kristine Hill (via Microsoft Teams), Crystal Holtz (via Microsoft Teams), Carolyn Salutz (via Microsoft Teams), Brooke Doxtator (via Microsoft Teams), Katsitsiyo Danforth (via Microsoft Teams), Nicholas Metoxen (via Microsoft Teams), Stacy Coon (via Microsoft Teams), Mark Powless, Nancy Barton, Bonnie Pigman (via Microsoft Teams);

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

*Meeting called to order by Chairman Tehassi Hill at 8:33 a.m.*

*For the record: Councilman Kirby Metoxen is out on pre-approved vacation time. Councilman Jonas Hill is out on personal time. Councilman Marlon Skenandore is unexcused.*

### **II. OPENING (00:00:06)**

*Opening provided by Councilman Jameson Wilson.*

### **III. ADOPT THE AGENDA (00:06:43)**

Motion by Lawrence Barton to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by Jennifer Webster. Motion carried:

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

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

#### **IV. RESOLUTIONS**

**A. Adopt resolution entitled Authorization of three (3) Unbudgeted Positions in Business Unit 4225032 (00:07:01)**

Sponsor: Mark W. Powless, CEO-Nation Services

Motion by Jennifer Webster to adopt resolution 04-13-26-A Authorization of three (3) Unbudgeted Positions in Business Unit 4225032, seconded by Jameson Wilson. Motion carried:

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

#### **V. TRAVEL REQUESTS**

**A. Approve the travel request - Councilman Kirby Metoxen - 8th Annual DCCC Tribal Engagement & Active Members Issues Conference - Cabazon, CA - April 30 - May 6, 2026 (00:17:34)**

Sponsor: Kirby Metoxen, Councilman

Motion by Lisa Liggins to approve the travel request for Councilman Kirby Metoxen to attend the 8th Annual DCCC Tribal Engagement & Active Members Issues Conference in Cabazon, CA on April 30 - May 6, 2026, seconded by Jameson Wilson. Motion carried:

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

#### **VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION (00:18:04)**

**A. Approve a limited waiver of sovereign immunity - Helix Innovations LLC - file # 2026-0240 (00:18:28)**

Sponsor: James Petitjean, CEO-Retail

Motion by Lawrence Barton to approve a limited waiver of sovereign immunity - Helix Innovations LLC - file # 2026-0240 with contract subject to further review of the Retail Department, seconded by Lisa Liggins. Motion carried:

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

**B. Approve a limited waiver of sovereign immunity - NJOY LLC - file # 2026-0241 (00:19:07)**

Sponsor: James Petitjean, CEO-Retail

Motion by Jennifer Webster to approve a limited waiver of sovereign immunity - NJOY LLC - file # 2026-0241 with contract subject to further review of the Retail Department, seconded by Lisa Liggins. Motion carried:

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

**VII. ADJOURN (00:19:28)**

Motion by Lawrence Barton to adjourn at 8:52 a.m., seconded by Jameson Wilson. Motion carried:

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

Minutes prepared by Bonnie Pigmanm, Information Management Specialist.  
Minutes approved as presented on April 22, 2026.



Lisa Liggins, Secretary  
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE