

2026 GENERAL ELECTION CAUCUS INFO

SATURDAY – April 11, 2026

10:00 A.M. – BCCR

Motion made by Teresa Schuman to close nominations. Seconded by Johnathon Smith. MCU

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE - **CHAIRPERSON** (1 Vacancy) 3-Year Term

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. Michelle Hill	Tehassi Hill	A
2. Peril Huff	Gina Powless Buenrostro	A

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE – **VICE CHAIRPERSON** (1 Vacancy) 3-Year Term

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. Carol Elm	Jameson Wilson	A
2. Gina Powless Buenrostro	Louise Cornelius	A
3. Sherrole Benton	Jennifer Webster	D
4. Shannon Hill	Jennifer Hill-Kelley	D

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE - **TREASURER** (1 Vacancy) 3-Year Term

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. Ray Skenandore	Larry Barton	A
2. Kathy Hughes	Louise Cornelius	A

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE - **SECRETARY** (1 Vacancy) 3-Year Term

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. Nancy Barton	Candace House	D
2. Thurston Denny	Lisa Liggins	A
3. Louise Cornelius	Gina Powless Buenrostro	A

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE – **COUNCIL MEMBER** (5 Vacancies) 3-Year Term

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. Mark Powless Sr.	Debra Powless	A
2. Rod Hill	Jennifer Hill	A
3. Linda Nockideneh	Teresa Schuman	A
4. Barbara Cornelius	Winnifred Thomas	A
5. Barbara Cornelius	Mary Loeffler	A

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ONEIDA BUISNESS COMMITTEE – **COUNCIL MEMBER** cont.

6. Tina Danforth	Lora Danforth	A
7. Mark Powless Sr.	Jonas Hill	A
8. Louis Williams	David Jordan	A
9. Kirby Metoxen	Kristal Hill	A
10. Stan Webster	Jennifer Webster	A
11. Carmelita Escamea	Maureen Perkins	A
12. Nicholas Gerhardt	Ryan Gerhardt	A
13. Larry Barton	Connor Kestell	A
14. Larry Barton	Garth Webster	A
15. Deke Suri	Travis Wallenfang	A
16. Makenit Cornelius Gutierrez	Daniel Webster	A
17. Michelle Sawyer	Levi King	A
18. Jasper Barber	Johnathon Smith	A
19. Melvin Bain	Jordan Bain	A
20. Rae Skenandore	Jennifer Hill-Kelley	A
21. Leslie Doxtator	Jermaine Delgado	A
22. Nancy Barton	Frank VandeHei	A
23. Peril Hull	Gina Powless Buenrostro	A
24. Gina Powless Buenrostro	Shannon Hill	A
25. David Webster	Neil Cornelius	NOT THERE
26. Shannon Hill	Cristina Danforth	D
27. Shannon Hill	Louise Cornelius	A
28. Shannon Hill	Gina Powless Buenrostro	A
29. Shannon Hill	Levi King	A
30. Shannon Hill	Peril Huff	A
31. Shannon Hill	Claudia Skenandore	NOT THERE
32. Shannon Hill	Janice Decorah	D
33. Shannon Hill	Lora Danforth	A

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ONEIDA ELECTION BOARD (3 Vacancies) 3-Year Term

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1. Teresa Schuman	Stephanie Metoxen	A
2. Gina Powless Buenrostro	Cheryl Powless	A
3. Maureen Perkins	Carmelita Escamea	A
4. Shannon Hill	Jessica Powless	D

ONEIDA LAND CLAIMS COMMISSION (2 Vacancies) 3-Year Term

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. Melanie Ellis	Denice Beans	A
2. Shannon Hill	Judy Cornelius	A
3. Sherrole Benton	Pat Cornelius	NOT THERE

ONEIDA LAND COMMISSION (2 Vacancies) 3-Year Term

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. Neil Cornelius	David Webster	A
2. Jennifer Webster	Donald Webster	A
3. Jennifer Hill	Rod Hill	A
4. Laura Manthe	Carmelita Escama	A
5. Jennifer Hill	Sherrole Benton	A
6. Shannon Hill	Kathy King	D
7. Shannon Hill	Nancy Barton	A

ONEIDA NATION COMMISSION ON AGING (ONCOA) (3 Vacancies) 3-Year Term

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. Kirby Metoxen	Judy Sprangers Metoxen	A
2. Yadakna Jordan	Margaret King	A
3. Laura Manthe	Carmelita Escamea	A
4. Rhea Doxtator	Carla Lily	A
5. Lauren McLester Davis	Joan McLester	A
6. Shannon Hill	Gina Powelss Buenrostro	A

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7. Shannon Hill	Nancy Barton	A
8. Shannon Hill	Pearl Webster	A

ONEIDA SCHOOL BOARD (4 Vacancies = 1 At Large & 3 Parent) 3-Year Term & 1 2-Year Term

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. Melanie Ellis	Denice Beans (Parent/Guardian)	A
2. Teresa Schuman	Linda Nockideneh (Community-at-Lg)	A
3. Travel Skenandore	Dr. Fern Cornelius Diamond (Community-at-Lg)	A
4. Peril Huff	Gina Powless Buenrostro (Community-at-Lg)	A

ONEIDA PERSONNEL COMMISSION

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. Melanie Ellis	Denice Beans	A
2. David Jordan	Larry Smith	A
3. Neil Cornelius	David Webster	A
4. Garth Webster	Pearl Webster	A
5. Sherrole Benton	Nicolas Reynolds	D

ONEIDA TRUST ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE (2 Vacancies) 3-Year Term

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. Gina Powless Buenrostro	Jessica Powless	A
2. Gina Powless Buenrostro	Louise Cornelius	A
3. Cheryl Powless	Gina Powless-Buenrostro	A
4. Jennifer Hill Kelley	Sadie Hill Kelley	A

ONEIDA JUDICIARY Court of Appeals (1 Vacancy - Appellate Court Chief Judge) 6-Year Term

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. Laura Manthe	Patti Ninham Hoeft	A
2. Kevin House	Diane House	A
3. Gina Powless Buenrostro	Peril Huff	A

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ONEIDA JUDICIARY Court of Appeals (2 Vacancies Appellate Court Judge) 6-Year Term

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. John Orié	John Orié	A
2. Teresa Schuman	Peril Huff	A

ONEIDA JUDICIARY Trial Court (1 Vacancy Trial Court Chief Judge) 6-Year Term

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. Mark Powless Sr.	John Powless III	A
2. Gina Powless Buenrostro	Peril Huff	A
3. Carmelita Escamea	Patti Ninham Hoeft	A

ONEIDA JUDICIARY Trial Court (1 Vacancy Trial Court Judge) 6-Year Term

NOMINATOR	NOMINEE	ACCEPT (A) / DECLINE (D)
1. John Orié	John Orié	D
2. Shannon Hill	Patti Ninham Hoeft	A

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