

Oneida Business Committee Meeting Agenda Request Form

1. Meeting Date Requested: 09 / 10 / 14

2. Nature of request

Session: Open Executive - justification required. See instructions for the applicable laws that define what is considered "executive" information, then choose from the list:

Agenda Header (choose one): Report

Agenda item title (see instructions):

ONCOA Quarterly Report to OBC

Action requested (choose one)

- Information only
- Action - please describe:

Request approval of report

3. Justification

Why BC action is required (see instructions):

Quarterly report to OBC is required.

4. Supporting Materials

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5. Submission Authorization

Authorized sponsor (choose one): Melinda J. Danforth, Tribal Vice Chairwoman

Requestor (if different from above): Wesley Martin, ONCOA Chairman
Name, Title / Dept. or Tribal Member

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ONCOA QUARTERLY REPORT TO OBC

September 2014

Period: June, July, August 2014

MISSION: ONCOA ADVOCATES FOR ALL SERVICES THAT PLACE PRIORITY ON THE WELL BEING OF OUR ELDERS

ONEIDA NATION COMMISSION ON AGING

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Melinda Danforth, OBC Liaison, and David Jordan, Alternate OBC Liaison

Primary Focus Areas for ONCOA

- Long Term Care Services & Support -- Personal Care Agency; Aging & Disability Resource-Specialist; Affordable & Accessible Elder Housing
- Communication with Tribal Elders, Community and Elder Service staff
- Training & Education for ONCOA and staff

ONCOA Meetings June, July, August 2014		
March 23	April 10	May 13
March 21	April 22	May 27

SPECIAL EVENTS/TRAINING/EDUCATION

Elder Village – Cottage Neighborhood

- Affordable and accessible housing for our elders is a priority need in our community. To address this need, ONCOA played a major role in identifying the Elder Village concept as a neighborhood that would enhance quality of life principles for elders.
- During the past quarter, a major focus for ONCOA has been Elder Village planning. This is a project that has been discussed for several years and is finally moving forward again. Infrastructure is complete and construction was slated to being in July 2014. Primary funding is through the Oneida Housing Authority.
- ONCOA attended project team status meetings to stay informed of the progress or delays in the project at various stages of development. Project team meetings are held once a month on Friday at the Elder Services conference room. OBC members are invited to attend any of the Friday meetings.
- Collaborative efforts will continue with OHA, Oneida Planning, Oneida elders, and others through the development, design, and construction phases. In June ONCOA members met with the architect to provide input on the design of the homes.
- Ground Breaking for Elder Village was held on July 25, 2014.

Adult Day Services and Elder Services Garages for the Elder Apartments and for Home Chore Maintenance.

- ONCOA has decided to pursue addressing the need for **Adult Day Services and Garages for the Elder Service Maintenance and Elder apartments.** The Adult Day Service and Maintenance garage was deleted from the original ORCCC project and slated for future development. Somehow the CIP package (#05-013/May 31, 2007) for the Elder Services apartment garages was deleted from the CIP list and it needs to be reinstated. All three projects are related to the development of the Lee McLester III Complex. ONCOA will be working with Elder Services to support moving these projects forward.

Aging and Disability Resource Specialist

- An Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) is a one-stop shop for accurate, unbiased information on all aspects of life related to aging or living with a disability. The ADRC provides information on a broad range of programs and services, helps people understand the various long term care options available to them, helps applicants apply for programs and benefits, and serves as the access point for publically funded long term care.
- Elder Services has been working on establishing an Oneida Aging and Disability Specialist office where information specific to Oneida services as well as services in the surrounding communities can be provided to people who call Oneida about services.
- The ADRC proposal was written by the Sarah Gard, Elder Services Vista worker. She gathered information for the proposal with the assistance from Elder Services, ONCOA, Oneida Health Center, and State representatives. The annual grant request is for \$106,000
- The state will provide funding for the ADRC-specialist position (2) and will designate an Oneida representative to the Brown County and the Outagamie County ADRC governing boards.
- The grant proposal was submitted by Elder Services. The grant was approved by the OBC at the February 26, 2014 meeting. In May the grant to fund the latter six months of 2014 in the amount of \$51,000 was approved by the State. Elder Services has received approval to post the ADRC-S position.

Money Follows the Person Tribal Initiative

- The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services is offering states and tribes between \$850,000 and \$1.93 million in grant funding in order to build sustainable community-based long term services and supports specifically for Tribal members. Wisconsin must have an active partnership with the participating Tribes or Tribal Organizations. Oneida has submitted a letter regarding our willingness to move forward with the state in developing systems to address tribal member needs. Each Tribe selects an option that is most appropriate to the tribal needs.
- Oneida Elder Services is interested in developing a **Tribal Personal Care Agency** along with needed infrastructure to deliver Long Term Care services to Oneida tribal members. Having a personal care agency will allow Elder Services and Oneida Health Center to obtain third party billing payments through Medicaid for in-home care and home chore services. Currently Oneida provides in-home care and home chore services that are paid through tribal contribution. In the future we can plan to increase these services through Medicaid payments.

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- In May Elder Services was informed that five states were selected to be a part of the MFP initiative and Wisconsin is one of the states. Future training meetings with the State are being planned and ONCOA representatives will be part of this training process.

Youth Worker – JTPA

- ONCOA had an opportunity to participate in the JTPA program this year. The freshman student who worked with ONCOA was Chauncey Williams. Chauncey worked side by side with the coordinator and learned aspects of running the operations. He was with ONCOA from July 14th to August 22nd.

2nd Annual Oneida Elder Expo

- Our 2nd Annual Oneida Expo hosted by ONCOA and Elder Services was held on August 8, 2014. Twenty-six vendors offered valuable information to the 435 attendees at the expo. Vendor and attendee surveys indicated that the expo was a great success.
- The bag raffle earned almost \$1,000 for the Roberta Kinzhuma Scholarship fund. This scholarship is awarded to single mothers maintaining a 3.0 grade point while pursuing a higher education. Two awards were presented during the Elder Expo.

Hearing Loop Training

- Two hearing loop and hearing loss informational meetings were held on August 20th by Chris Prust. Chris spoke about the benefits of the hearing loop and hearing loss from her own personal experience.
- The AJRCCC has a hearing loop installed in the dining and activity areas. The hearing loop helps persons who use hearing aids that are equipped with T-coils hear sounds from a PA system directly and clearly in the hearing aids, because it reduces or cuts out background noise.

Wisconsin Tribal Aging Directors Association

- ONCOA members participated along with Elder Services Director, Florence Petri. All eleven tribes belong to this association and meet to discuss Aging Issues in Indian Country and formulate ways to best meet the needs of our Native Elders.
- This is a collaborative relationship that ONCOA has maintained with Elders Services and the other tribes since the inception of the organization.

Elder Service Staff Meetings

- Elder Service Staff Meetings are held once a month. ONCOA Commissioners attend these meetings. Updated monthly calendar of events, speakers, and staff information comprise the agenda. There is an ONCOA Representative in attendance to provide a status of ONCOA Activities.

Elder Service Supervisor Meetings

- The Elder Service Supervisor Meetings are held once a month. The ONCOA Chairperson and ONCOA Coordinator attend these meetings. This is an opportunity to be informed and share processes and projects of Elder Services Supervisors.

MEETING REQUIREMENTS

ONCOA meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the Elder Services Conference Room. Other special meetings are held during the month to address specific topics related to the goals and objectives of ONCOA. All meetings are open and community members are encouraged to attend.

GOALS

GOAL I	ONCOA will create policies and work together with Elder Services in an effort to improve the quality of life of our Elders.
GOAL II	ONCOA will communicate with Elders on issues, policies and services in order to increase their awareness and participation.
GOAL III	ONCOA will advocate at all levels (tribal, local, state, national) for resources to provide for elder services

COMMENTS

Each commissioner, along with the ONCOA staff, brings with him/her a varied background of employment, education, and life experiences to work toward a common goal of advocating for services that place emphasis on our elders. The following is a list of community involvement for the current ONCOA commissioners and staff:

- Oneida Nutrition Board
- Anna John Nursing Home Board
- National Indian Council on Aging
- Oneida Child Protective Board
- King’s Veteran Home Board
- Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources, Board of Directors
- Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee (elected)
- Great Lakes Native American Elders Association, Board of Directors & members
- ONVAC (Oneida Indian Veterans Association)
- GLNAEA – Elder Abuse Task Force
- Oneida Personnel Commission
- Wisconsin Elks Association
- Oneida Library Board