

HEALTH RECRUITMENT PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE ROOM # 304
CITY HALL

NOVEMBER 18, 2019

8:32 a.m. The meeting convened with Councillor L. Baldwin-Sands, Chair, presiding.

ATTENDANCE

Councillor L. Baldwin-Sands, Chair, City of St. Thomas
Councillor G. Jones, County of Elgin
Dr. K. Scott, Sub-Region Clinical lead (Elgin) SouthWest LHIN
Cheryl Fish, Health Recruiter
Julie Gonyou, CAO, County of Elgin
Jessica Muller, Corporate Customer Service Assistant, City of St. Thomas

Absent

Dr. W. Chehadi, St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital
Wendell Graves, City Manager, City of St. Thomas

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil.

MINUTES

Motion by Councillor Jones - Dr. Scott:

THAT: The minutes of the September 16th, 2019 meeting be accepted as presented.

Carried.

REPORTS

Activity Report and Recruitment Projects -Health Recruiter– Appendix “A”

The members were provided with the Health Recruiter’s Activity Report for the months of September and October 2019.

Ms. Fish advised that Dr. Collins Egbujuo joined the Elgin Family Health Organization and has implemented electronic medical records for the practice.

Ms. Fish further advised that Dr. Egbujuo will be taking on new patients and is eager to be involved within the community.

Ms. Fish informed the members that the number of scholarship applications submitted has increased over last year, and she has received positive feedback about the changes made to the scholarship application from students.

The members were advised that while Ms. Fish has provided some preliminary numbers regarding individuals without a family physician in St. Thomas, determining the number of individuals from Elgin County has been more difficult.

The members directed Ms. Fish to continue working on creating a more accurate list of individuals in St. Thomas and Elgin County who need a primary care physician.

NEW BUSINESS

Scholarships

The members reviewed the five applications that were received for the Health Recruitment Committee Scholarship.

Motion by Dr. Scott - Councillor Jones:

CONFIRMED_____CHAIR

THAT: The 2019 Health Recruitment Scholarships in the amount of \$1000 be awarded to Brandon Clark, Maggie McNeill, Danielle Starcevic, Kim Vo, and Madison Walker.

Carried.

Review Strategic Committee Terms of Reference – Appendix “B”

The Health Recruiter advised that a strategic review of the Committee Terms of References was completed by the City Manager, CAO of Elgin County, and Health Recruiter.

The CAO of Elgin County outlined the minor changes that had been made.

Motion by Councillor Jones – Dr. Scott

THAT: The new Committee Terms of Reference dated November 18th, 2019 be approved.

Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Hospital Partnership

The members conversed about the importance of having a member of hospital administration on this Committee and that it has been about a year since anyone from the hospital has participated.

The members discussed the possibility of making a presentation to the hospital board of directors to highlight the accomplishments of the Committee.

The Chair agreed to send a letter to the hospital to highlight the accomplishments, the hospital administration role, and the importance of the hospital's participation on the Committee.

Committee Membership

The members discussed the possibility of increasing the number of committee members to include academics and other individuals who had previously expressed interest in joining the Committee.

The members agreed that the Committee Terms of Reference may need to be amended in the future to allow for additional individuals to be added to the Committee.

NEXT MEETING

The members agreed that the next meeting will be held on December 16, 2019 at 8:30 am.

ADJOURNMENT

9:33 a.m. The meeting adjourned.