

HEALTH RECRUITMENT PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE ROOM # 304
CITY HALL

FEBRUARY 10, 2020

8:30 a.m. The meeting convened with Councillor L. Baldwin-Sands, Chair, presiding.

ATTENDANCE

Members

Councillor L. Baldwin-Sands, Chair, City of St. Thomas
Councillor G. Jones, County of Elgin
Dr. K. Scott, Family Physician and Co-Chair, Elgin Primary Care Alliance

Officials

Cheryl Fish, Health Recruiter
Julie Gonyou, CAO, County of Elgin
Wendell Graves, City Manager, City of St. Thomas
Jessica Muller, Corporate Service Assistant, City of St. Thomas

Absent

Dr. W. Chehadi, St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil.

MINUTES

Motion by Councillor Jones - Dr. Scott:

THAT: The minutes of the January 13, 2020 meeting be received.

Carried.

Activity Report and Recruitment Projects - Health Recruiter - Appendix "A"

Ms. Fish advised that the Ministry of Health's Analytics and Insights Branch provided information regarding the number of residents that currently do not have a family physician.

Ms. Fish advised that based on these statistics, Elgin County and St. Thomas could use an additional ten to twelve physicians.

Ms. Fish advised that Dr. Collins Egbujuo had expressed interest in joining the committee and would bring experience from a committee he worked with previously.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Alison Wright – Request for Funding

Mr. Graves advised that Dr. Alison Wright is working part time with the Elmdale Family Health Organization.

Dr. Wright is a family physician and will also have a speciality practice, she is requesting half of the \$33,000 in order to buy equipment.

Motion by Councillor Jones - Dr. Scott

THAT: Funding of \$16,500 for half of a physician position be recommended for the requested received by Dr. Alison Wright subject to approval from St. Thomas Council, and the execution of an agreement with Dr. Wright.

Carried.

CONFIRMED _____ CHAIR

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Correspondence sent to Hospital

Mr. Graves stated that the St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital has acknowledged receipt of correspondence relating to the Hospital's involvement on the committee and will hopefully be sending a response by the next committee meeting.

Consideration of Additional Committee Members

As stated by Ms. Fish, Dr. Collins Egbujuo would be amenable to joining the committee.

After the members discussed the need to send a letter to St. Thomas Elgin Medical Association, so that the Association is aware of the committee, it was decided that the Chair would sign the letter.

NEXT MEETING

The members agreed that the next meeting would be held on March 9, 2020 at 8:30 am.

ADJOURNMENT

9:00 a.m. The meeting adjourned.