

HEALTH RECRUITMENT PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

TELECONFERENCE

NOVEMBER 9, 2020

8:37 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 (Arrived 8:50 a.m.)
Dr. K. Scott, Family Physician
Dr. C. Egbujoo, Family Physician

Officials

Wendell Graves, City Manager, City of St. Thomas
Cheryl Fish, Health Recruiter
Jon Hindley, Corporate Administrative & Accessibility Clerk, City of St. Thomas

Absent

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

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil.

WELCOME

The members welcomed Dr. Collins Egbujoo to the Health Recruitment Partnership Committee.

MINUTES

Motion by Dr. Egbujoo - Dr. Scott:

THAT: The minutes of the October 5, 2020 meeting be confirmed.

Carried.

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

Ms. Fish provided an overview of activities and recruitment projects from October, 2020.

Ms. Fish advised that a virtual orientation had been conducted with three new physicians.

Ms. Fish advised that she was hoping to encourage physicians to become preceptors to assist in attracting students to the area once they have graduated.

Ms. Fish advised that an updated Power Point presentation was presented via Zoom at the University of Western Ontario Family Medicine Resident Recruitment Fair and that she received the contact information for 175 residents who attended.

Consideration of 2020 Scholarships

The members discussed the fact that all of the applicants had submitted complete applications and that three applicants had previously been awarded scholarships.

The members discussed the fact that the Committee's mandate focuses on the recruitment of family physicians and that a scholarship had never been awarded to a nurse practitioner student in the past.

The members agreed that a nurse practitioner does not fit the scholarship criteria at this time but that contact would be made with the student about any future opportunities.

The members discussed reviewing the scholarship criteria prior to the 2021 scholarship process.

CONFIRMED _____ CHAIR

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Motion by Dr. Scott – Dr. Egbujuo:

THAT: The 2020 Health Recruitment Scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 be awarded to Brandon Clark, Danielle Starcevic and Madison Walker.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Committee Membership

The members discussed the possibility of another representative from the St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital attending the committee meetings in place of Dr. Chehadi, who is often unable to attend.

The City Manager advised that he would follow up with the Hospital's Chief Executive Officer.

The members discussed the fact that Dr. Black may be interested in joining the committee but that the committee's meeting time may be a barrier. The members further discussed that Dr. Black works at the St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital and is the regional academic director.

The members discussed involving Dr. Black in events and other activities of the committee even if he is not able to formally join.

Physician Recognition

The Chair advised that she was awaiting information to put background information together of Dr. Dayus and Dr. Howe to acknowledge their many years of service to the community.

Councillor Jones advised that County Council had recently recognized Dr. Dayus, and that Dr. Howe had declined any formal recognition.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

St. Thomas and Area Homebuilders' Association Membership

The City Manager advised that additional correspondence had been sent to the St. Thomas and Area Homebuilders' Association and that a response had yet to be received.

NEXT MEETING

The members agreed that the next meeting would be held on December 7, 2020 at 8:30 am.

ADJOURNMENT

9:06 a.m. The meeting adjourned.