

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ST. THOMAS

HEALTH RECRUITMENT PARTNERSHIP

ROOM 204
CITY HALL

7:30 A.M.

October 18, 2016

1. Approval of Minutes – September 13, 2016
2. Activity Report and Recruitment Projects: Cheryl Fish, Health Recruiter
3. Update : Nurse Practitioner Led Clinic
4. Funding request : Dr. Derek Haruta
5. 2016 Scholarships
6. New Business
7. Unfinished Business
 - a) Francis Osih
8. Next Meeting
9. Adjournment

Health Recruitment Partnership Committee

Update Report Sept. 2016

Activities:

- 1) On Sept 1st I met once again with Dr. Lock, The Medical Officer of Health. She is working on developing an orientation package on Public Health for new physicians to assist them in understanding their mutual roles. I will include Public Health into my orientation program for new physicians. She has confirmed that Public Health will be in a position to take students for Discovery Week next year.
- 2) An email was sent to Phil Graham at the Ministry following up on the meeting the delegation from the Partnership Committee had with Minister Hoskins regarding our request for a Nurse Practitioner Led Clinic. We received an email from Phil Graham on Sept 13th stating that a response is being developed and we should be receiving it shortly.
- 3) The press release that took place on Sept 8th with Dr. Jon Carter and his wife Daria went very well. Several articles were published. I followed up with Dr. Carter with a response on a few issues we discussed that day. He was pleased with the news releases and has seen a good response from Patients. The press release scheduled for Sept 9th with Dr. Ajogwu and Dr. Richter in Port Stanley did not take place as the press did not attend. This will be rescheduled, however it did provide Cameron McWilliams and I a good opportunity to follow up on how things are going.
- 4) I received confirmation from Dr. Green that I may once again make a presentation to the Elgin FHO at their annual meeting taking place on Nov 23rd. I have several topics that I feel would be helpful information to share with these physicians and I'm looking forward to presenting at this event.
- 5) The St. Thomas-Elgin Medical Association (STEMA) was provided with the names of four residents and one physician that I'm working with who have expressed an interest in Elgin County. STEMA will provide them with complimentary invitations to their wine and food event taking place in October. This offer is very much appreciated by the Partnership Committee because it provides a great opportunity for these potential candidates to network.

- 6) On Sept 16th, Wendell Graves and I met with Frank Prespa and toured the facility at 188 Sunset Drive. This facility is still set up as a clinic and the space could accommodate one physician. Mr. Prespa is willing to discuss renovations to include the space presently being used by Dr. Telford when it becomes available. A revised list of the equipment on site was sent to Mr. Graves. I will continue to make new residents or physicians aware of this opportunity.
- 7) On Sept 28th I attended the symposium hosted by the St Thomas-Elgin General Hospital. The topic was "Past, Present and Future of Collaboration in Elgin". It was facilitated by Penny Paucha from Instincts at Work. The intention and outcome for the day was to:
- Develop a shared vision on collaborative care across organizations
 - Achieve clear understanding of partner issues/concerns/opportunities/synergies
 - Clarify STEGH's role and vision of seamless, patient centred care in the future
 - Action plan for 1 or 2 improvements we can make
- Approximately 43 stakeholders attended. An informative day and a great opportunity for networking.
- 8) The "Scholarship" application process was updated for 2016 and posted on the websites with a closing date for submissions of Oct 28th. I sent out reminders to 10 medical students. Looking forward to a good response this year.
- 9) On Sept 14th I met with Dr. Tenbergen for an update and progress report. Things are progressing well with the design of their clinic in the new Elmdale facility and she and her colleagues are looking forward to their opening in January 2017. I continue to request locum coverage for those physicians who request it until their practice facility is ready.
- 10) I attended a meeting of the Immigration Portal Committee on Sept 23rd & 30th. The draft website has been provided for our review and comments. I have suggested that I would approach Dr. Ajogwu to see if he would participate in an interview and video as part of the newcomers section.

Submitted by: Cheryl Fish
Health Recruiter