

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ST. THOMAS

HEALTH RECRUITMENT PARTNERSHIP

**ROOM 204
CITY HALL**

7:30 A.M.

NOVEMBER 21, 2017

1. Approval of Minutes – September 12, 2017
2. Activity Report and Recruitment Projects : Cheryl Fish, Health Recruiter
3. Annual Scholarships
4. Request for Funds : Dr. Ahmed Kamar – Dutton Medical Centre
5. New Business
6. Unfinished Business
7. Next Meeting
8. Adjournment

Health Recruitment Partnership Committee

Update Report

October/November 2017

Activities:

- 1) I attended the “Discovery Week” fall retreat in Stratford on Oct 25th. We were provided with feedback from the University and of course the students on how the events went that week. We were also provided with an opportunity to suggest changes and to network with other communities. Two communities provided a presentation highlighting the events they provided for their students. Lots of good ideas shared. Western will be providing us with the students slide presentation. I will arrange to show this at a future partnership meeting.
- 2) Dr. Elsie Osagie will be participating in the New Physician Orientation Program on Dec. 5th in preparation for her taking over her new position from Dr. Green. An agenda has been developed using Dr. Osagie’s preferences for which organizations she felt she would like to learn more about their programs and services. The City of St Thomas and County of Elgin have been provided with 15 minutes on the agenda to provide an official welcome and to share any specific information about the community. These orientation events will take place every couple of months as required.
- 3) Dr. Charlotte Allard/Taylor has decided to join the EEFHT filling a permanent position. She will be starting in this position before Christmas. EEFHT is happy to have Dr. Taylor joining their team and we are happy to have her back in Elgin County.
- 4) We have one application for our scholarship program and a suggestion has been made that I arrange a press interview and photo op for the Chairperson to present the cheque on a day that is convenient for the student over their Christmas vacation time.
- 5) The St Thomas-Elgin Health Recruitment Partnership committee will not be hosting a “Home for the Holiday” lunch this year. Instead a drop in event at a local venue will be planned for later in the New Year. Possibly opening the event to the new physicians and the residents I’ve met at the recent recruitment fairs who have expressed an interest in Elgin County. More details to follow.

- 6) I hosted a booth at Western's Family Medicine residents' event which took place on Saturday Nov. 18th. I was pleased that Claudia Mior-Eckel from the EEFHT (East Elgin Family Health Team) joined me to highlight her facilities opportunities. The retreat had a lower than normal attendance level this year, however we did get several residents interested in Elgin County. Follow up will take place in the near future.

- 7) On Nov. 6th I hosted a visit to Elgin County for Dr. Kamar who will be joining the Elgin FHO and practicing in Dutton starting January 15th. Dr. Kamar enjoyed his visit and is looking forward to his move from Saskatchewan. We are now working with him to complete the paper work required by the Ministry and FHO. Dr. Kamar has agreed to participate in the orientation program. We are looking forward to him joining us in the New Year.

Submitted by:

Cheryl Fish- Health Recruiter