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Thursday, November 18, 2010

Call to Order and Welcome by Ross Campbell

Ross welcomed members and guests, and called meeting to order at 4:00pm.

1.1 Roll Call and Moment of Reflection

Present – Marcia Bender, Steve Bender, Sharyn Bennett, Ross Campbell, Deb Junker, Sherrill Malson, Jim Piggott, Clare Schlegel, Mike Sullivan, Grace Thier, Brenda West

Absent – Bob Quehl,

Guests – Dr Paul Bartlett, Joan Leeming, Dr Sean Blaine, Cheryl Yost.

2.0 Dr Sean Blaine and Cheryl Yost update on S.T.A.R. Family Health Network.

Dr Sean Blaine and Cheryl Yost gave a very interesting presentation on how the S.T.A.R. Family Team operates, and the differences in how each of the three sites are run. The Tavistock Community Health Inc is community owned and is not for profit. O'Loane Medical Associates is physician owned and operated, and the Avon Medical Clinic is physician operated. Each site offers a variety of services and clinics e.g. Diabetes clinics, foot care clinics, administration of mental health issues, COPD clinics and nutrition classes. All of the additional services offered are aimed at better serving the patients plus taking some of the work load off the physicians. With the introduction of Nurse Practitioners into the health care system, this is also a great benefit to both physicians and patients. With the continuing upgrades to the computer networks in the medical profession, patient information is now readily available between hospitals and the physician's office, much faster than in the past.

The point being stressed in this presentation is that the primary concern of the S.T.A.R. Family Health Network is "Quality of Care" for the patients. Dr Blaine stated that the Ontario economy is still in trouble, which will cause a shift in how funds are allocated for health care. Finding a family physician is still a problem for some people but hopefully this will ease over the next few years.

In summary both Dr Blaine and Cheryl Yost are very positive in the quality of health care that is available today for patients.

3.1 Approval of/Additions to Agenda

Motion made by Brenda West, seconded by Steve Bender, to approve Agenda , carried.

3.2 Review and approval of minutes of last meeting

Motion made by Jim Piggott, seconded by Mike Sullivan, to approve, carried.

3.3 Business from the minutes

None

4.0 Staff Reports -

4.1 Joan Leeming – Nurse Manager

Joan Leeming reported that staff morale is very good and things are running smoothly at the clinic. The property tax rebate has been applied for to the Municipality of East Zorra-Tavistock.

4.2 Colleen Card –

No report.

4.3 Dr Paul Bartlett

Dr Bartlett reported he is meeting with Dr Stewart in January 2011. He heard back from the ministry of health regarding computer upgrades, that the push to convert systems has been put on hold until the system problems have been corrected. The computer link with the hospital is going forward. This will be a real time saver since lab reports etc. will be available on line sooner than before.

5.0 Committee Reports

5.1 AGM, Communication, By-Law Review

No report

5.2 Facilities –

Motion made by Marcia Bender, seconded by Sharyn Bennett, to approve expenditure of \$1,017.00 for start up costs to interface patient computer files with the hospital link, carried.

Motion made by Mike Sullivan, seconded by Deb Junker, to approve purchase of anti-virus software costing \$828.00 plus tax, carried.

5.3 Finance –

A cheque was received from Dr Snider for the last 2 months rent prior to her departure from the clinic. Dr Cowing repaid her “under serviced” payment to the clinic.

Motion made by Clare Schlegel, seconded by Brenda West, to approve financial report as presented, carried.

5.4 Liaison –

“Strategic Planning” was discussed again at a meeting attended by Sherrill Malson, Steve Bender and Ross Campbell from the board, and Dr Hook representing the clinic. Main items on this topic were 1) what long term plan should be put in place to attract future physicians, and 2) what we can do to enhance the quality of life in our community. Proposal was made that a meeting

will be held on Wednesday, February 2, 2011 from 3 – 8pm. Lunch will be provided. Dr Hook has said he is willing to sit on a committee to set up this meeting. Sherrill Malson and Steve Bender from the board volunteered to also sit on the committee.

Next Liaison meeting is January 11, 2011 at 6:30pm.

5.5 Recruitment –

No report

5.6 Fund Raising – No report

5.7 Human Resource Committee – Amanda is doing very well in the computer course she is taking.

6.0 New Business –

Deb Junker reported that the staff Christmas party will be January 29, 2011 at the Victorian Room, Queen’s Inn, Stratford. Cost will be \$26.00 (including tax) per person.

7.0 Next Meeting – Thursday, December 16, 2010 – third Thursday of the month.

8.0 Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 5:35pm.

Ross Campbell, Chair

Grace Thier, Secretary