June 20, 2023

Algoma Nurse Practitioner LED Clinic Annual General Meeting.

Chair's Report

## **Opening Statement**

Welcome everyone to our Annual General Meeting. This year has been a lot easier on everyone involved with the clinic. The pandemic ended and we all started to have some sense of our lives returning to normal. Not everyone escaped physical and mental health problems after the pandemic. I think our world has been permanently changed.

As board members of a health clinic, we are very aware of the health care crisis that our country is facing. The lack of primary health care workers is affecting almost every person in Canada. The good news is that the Algoma Nurse Practitioner LED Clinic is not losing that battle, and in fact is accepting more patients, finding ways to treat patients seeking appointments within 2 to 3 days, and making time to do screening clinics for all people in our area! I think we should applause Dominic and his staff for an outstanding job. Thank You

We welcome two new board members — Ryan McLeod and Paul Cassan. I thank them for joining the board and thank all board members for their time and effort.

#### **Board Members 2022-2023**

Lil Silvano - Finance committee

Terry Scott – Vice chairman – Nominating Committee, HR Committee

Susan Schikofsky - Director Governance, Capital Expansion Committee, Board Liaison Member Alliance

Debra Graystone - Governance Committee, Capital Expansion Committee, Woman's Health Clinic Chair

Kay Vallee – Strategic Planning Committee – Truth and Reconciliation Modules

Lisa Bumbacco – Strategic Planning committee- Woman's Health Clinic Committee- nominating Committee

Cyrus Sagart

Ryan Mcleod -Finance Committee

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Non – Board Member

Stephen Hussey - Finance Committee

## **Clinic Operations**

The clinic staff was very busy this year, improving services, increasing patient roster, and doing extra work over and above their normal duties

- 1) First OHT Cervical Cancer Screening clinic
- 2) Allowing patients to book appointments through the website
- 3) Increased our patient roster from 2664 to 2899 with a goal of 3200 patients by April 2024

From our the "Quality Improvement Surveys", it shows a very high positive result.

Job well done! Thanks goes to Dominic and all staff.

## **Board Activities**

It is easy forget the decisions and discussions the board does each year, so I wish to highlight some points

- 1) Board decided to continue having Kay Vallee finish the modules on Truth And Reconciliation
- 2) Debra Graystone introduced the Woman's Health Clinic to the board. Th board decided to explore this option and formed a committee to study and make recommendations to the board. We applied for a grant to start this clinic.
- 3) The In Camera Minutes were put in a secure folder on the portal with Chair access only
- 4) Increase number of board members from 7 to 8.
- 5) The board approved the new Strategic plan
- 6) Work continues on our capital expansion program

## **Capital Expansion**

The board explored additional options for new locations.

When the board discovered that the Ministry of Health was not going to increase our revenue to support an increase in our overhead cost associated with renting a larger floor space, they decided to apply for an increase in Operational Funding. We were granted additional funding.

We continue to work through the required Ministry of Health requirements to get closer to approval for selecting a final site and start construction

# **Algoma Ontario Health Team**

The OHT started producing a monthly Update in November.

Dominic is very active on our local OHT and keeps the board up to date monthly.

#### **Conclusions**

We lost a number of board members during the season for various personal reasons. The Membership committee worked hard at recruiting new members. We now have a very good compliment of people with various backgrounds and experience. I compliment the board in good attendance and helping on our committees.

I am stepping down as the Chair this year, I want to thank everyone for the support you have shown me.

Thank you

Doug Abbott

Chair