

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
HEALTH SERVICES COUNCIL**

DATE: 28 June 2005

TIME: 3:00 PM

LOCATION: Health Policy Forum

ATTENDANCE:

Council: Present: Victoria Almeida (Vice Chair), Edward F. Almon, Joseph V. Centofanti, MD, Raymond Coia, John W. Flynn, Maria R. Gil, Catherine E. Graziano, RN, Ph.D., Robert S.L. Kinder, MD, Denise Panichas, Robert J. Quigley DC, (Chair), Larry Ross, Reverend David Shire

Not Present: Rosemary Booth Gallogly, Wallace Gernt, John Keimig, Robert Ricci, Robert Whiteside, John Young

Excused Absence: Robert L. Bernstein

Staff: Valentina D. Adamova, Michael K. Dexter, Joseph G. Miller, Esq.

Public: (see attached)

1. Call to Order, Approval of Minutes, Time Extension for the Minutes Availability, and Conflict of Interest Forms.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM. The Chairman noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a potential conflict. The minutes of the 26 April 2005 meeting of the Health Services Council were approved as submitted. The Chairman stated that due to the Open Meetings Act the minutes of the meetings have to be available to the public by the next meeting date or within thirty-five days, whichever is sooner. The Chairman stated that because the next meeting might not occur within thirty-five days or the minutes might not be available, he would ask the Committee members to vote to extend the availability of minutes beyond time frame provided to remain in compliance with the Open Meetings Act. A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of twelve in favor and none opposed (12-0) that the availability of the minutes for this meeting be extended beyond the time frame provided for under the Open Meetings Act. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Almon, Centofanti, Coia, Flynn, Gil, Graziano, Kinder, Quigley, Panichas, Ross, Shire.

2. General Order of Business

The first item on the agenda was the Report of the Committee of the Health Services Council on the Application of Health Resources of Warwick, Inc. d/b/a Kent Regency Center [Genesis HealthCare Corporation] for a certificate of need for life/safety improvements, renovation and new construction. Staff summarized committee deliberations on this matter.

Ms. DeBlasio, legal counsel to the applicant, introduced Mr. St. Hiliars, Director of Services, Ms. Moran, Administrator, Mr. Fernan, Director of Reimbursement, and Mr. Freeman, Director of Operations.

A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of twelve in favor, none opposed (12-0) to recommend that the application be approved. Those members voting in favor of the motion were: Almeida, Almon, Centofanti, Coia, Flynn, Gil, Graziano, Kinder, Quigley, Panichas, Ross, Shire.

The next item on the agenda was the presentation by Catherine Cordy, R.PH., Executive Director of the Rhode Island Board of Pharmacy. Ms. Cordy made a Power Point presentation to the Health Services Council (Attached).

3. Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Valentina D. Adamova