

Minutes of Meeting  
Health Services Council  
Project Review Committee-I

DATE: 19 May 2009

TIME: 2:30 PM

LOCATION: Conference Room 401  
Department of Health

ATTENDANCE:

Name	Present	Absent	Excused
<b>Committee-I</b>			
Victoria Almeida, Esq. (Vice Chair)	X		
Edward F. Almon	X		
Joseph V. Centofanti, MD		X	
John W. Flynn	X		
Wallace Gernt	X		
Amy Lapierre	X		
Thomas M. Madden, Esq.	X		
Robert Quigley, DC (Chairman)	X		
Robert Ricci		X	
Robert Whiteside		X	
<b>Committee-II</b>			
Joseph L. Dowling, MD	X		
Reverend David Shire (Secretary)	X		

Staff: Valentina D. Adamova, MBA, Bruce Cryan, MBA, MS, Michael K. Dexter, MPA, Jay Garrett, MS, Tricia Leddy, Joseph G. Miller, Esq., Melinda Thomas, Michael Varadian, JD, MBA

Public: (Attached)

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

The meeting was called to order at 2:35 PM. The Chair noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a conflict. A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of five in favor with none opposed (5-0) that the availability of minutes for this meeting be extended beyond the time frame as provided for under the Open Meetings Act. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Flynn, Gernt, Lapierre, Quigley.

## **2. General Order of Business**

The first items on the agenda were the applications of **CharterCARE Health Partners** for change in effective control of: St. Joseph Health Services of Rhode Island, Roger Williams Hospital and Elmhurst Extended Care Facilities, Inc. Staff reviewed the criteria for Change in Effective Control (“CEC”) and Hospital Conversion Act (“HCA”) processes.

Mr. Belcher, President of Roger Williams Hospital, Ed Santos, Chairman of the Board of Roger Williams Hospital, and Mr. Fogarty, President of St. Joseph Health Services of Rhode Island presented the proposal. It was noted that the proposed affiliation would initially be limited to administrative consolidation and clinical cooperation.

Ms. Lapierre requested information about the impact of the affiliation on staffing levels. Mr. Gernt asked the applicant to identify the cost of the CEC and HCA reviews. The Chair requested that the applicant identify the impact of the affiliation on reducing unnecessary ER utilization at each of the hospitals.

The Chair announced that a special meeting will be held to provide an opportunity for comments from the public on these applications.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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