

Minutes of Meeting  
Health Services Council  
Project Review Committee-I

DATE: 21 September 2010

TIME: 2:30 PM

LOCATION: Conference Room 401

ATTENDANCE:

Name	Present	Absent	Excused
<b>Committee-I</b>			
Victoria Almeida, Esq. (Chair)	X		
John X. Donahue	X		
John W. Flynn	X		
Wallace Gernt	X		
Theresa Jeremiah			X
Amy Lapierre	X		
Steven Lonardo	X		
Thomas M. Madden, Esq.	X		
Robert Ricci		X	
Robert Whiteside		X	
<b>Committee-II</b>			
Reverend David Shire (Secretary)	X		

Staff: Valentina Adamova, MBA, Michael K. Dexter, MPA, Joseph G. Miller, Esq., Michael Varadian, MBA, JD

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 2:31 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 six in favor with none opposed (6-0) 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, Donahue, Flynn, Lapierre, Lonardo, Madden.

2. General Order of Business

Ms. Almeida noted that she represents a client who is in litigation with Lifespan and that both her client and Lifespan agreed to a waiver of conflict of interest so that she may participate in today's reviews.

The first item on the agenda was the application of **Rhode Island Hospital** [Lifespan Corporation] for Certificate of Need to combine The Miriam Hospital's and Rhode Island Hospital's open heart surgery programs on the campus of Rhode Island Hospital and add one hybrid operating room.

Staff handed out and reviewed the comment letters that were received.

The applicant reviewed the proposal. The applicant noted that the limiting step for this procedure is how quickly the team can be assembled (and not the transport distance). The applicant also anticipates soft cost savings from not having two on-call teams.

The Committee members made comments and had questions regarding the vision for The Miriam Hospital, eventual merger of the two hospitals, educations of the community to abate fears and pastoral care at RIH.

No action was taken on this item.

The next item on the agenda was the change order request of **Rhode Island Hospital** [Lifespan Corporation] to the 31 May 2006 approval of the Certificate of Need to expand and upgrade inpatient beds through construction of a three story addition above the Bridge Building, renovation of Jane Brown North Building and 10th floor of the Main Building, and decanting of the Jane Brown South Building.

The applicant reviewed the proposal.

No action was taken on this item.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Valentina D. Adamova, MBA  
Acting Chief Program Development