

MINUTES OF MEETING
HEALTH SERVICES COUNCIL
PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE-I

DATE: 3 April 2012

TIME: 2:30 PM

LOCATION: Department Operations Center

ATTENDANCE:

Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Committee-I			
Victoria Almeida, Esq. (Chair)	X		
John X. Donahue	X		
Wallace Gernt			X
Theresa Jeremiah			X
Amy Lapierre	X		
Steven Lonardo			X
Thomas M. Madden, Esq.	X		
Robert Ricci		X	
Reverend Shire (Vice-Chair)	X		
Robert Whiteside		X	
Committee-II			
Robert Hamel, RN	X		
Denise Panichas	X		

Staff: Valentina Adamova, MBA, Michael K. Dexter, MPA, Joseph G. Miller, Esq., Stephen Morris, Esq., Marissa Silva, MBA, Melinda Thomas, MS

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. Minutes of the Project Review Committee-I meeting of 3 March 2012 and 20 March 2012 were adopted as submitted. A motion was made 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, Donahue, Lapierre, Madden, Shire.

2. General Order of Business

The next item on the agenda was the applications of **Steward Health Care System, LLC** (and subsidiaries) for change in effective control of 1) Landmark Medical Center, a 214-bed general acute care licensed hospital in Woonsocket and 2) Rehabilitation Hospital of Rhode Island

(Northern Rhode Island Rehab Management Associates, LP) a 70-bed licensed rehabilitation hospital center in North Smithfield. Staff noted the staff memo that addressed the applicant's response to question #5.

Dr. Ralph de la Torre, CEO of Steward Health Care System, LLC made a presentation to the Committee and answered Committee's questions.

Charles Jones, President/CEO of Thundermist Health Center spoke about the action taken by Thundermist to partner with Women & Infants.

Upon further inquiry by the Committee, Dr. de la Torre, agreed to provide the financial projections requested in the follow up questions.

It was noted that responses to follow up questions would be addressed at the following meeting. No formal action was taken by the Committee on these applications.

3. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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(Acting) Chief Health Program Evaluator