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MINUTES OF MEETING
HEALTH SERVICES COUNCIL

DATE: 25 February 2014

TIME: 2:30 PM

LOCATION: Department Operations Center
 Rhode Island Department of Health

ATTENDANCE:

Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Victoria Almeida, Esq. (Chair)	X		
John J. Barry III	X		
Raymond C. Coia, Esq.	X		
Steven R. DeToy	X		
John X. Donahue	X		
Joseph L. Dowling, MD	X		
Roberta Feather, CNS, PhD, JD	X		
Wallace Gernt			X
Maria R. Gil (Secretary)			X
Catherine E. Graziano, RN, PhD	X		
Robert Hamel, RN			X
Theresa Jeremiah	X		
Amy Lapierre			X
Jeanette S. Matrone, RN, PhD	X		
Daniel Orgel, MPA	X		
Denise Panichas	X		
Robert Ricci	X		
Tom Sgouros			X
Reverend Shire (Vice-Chair)	X		
Robert Whiteside		X	

Staff: Valentina D. Adamova, MBA, Edward D'Arezzo, Michael K. Dexter, MPA, Sarah Mancone (Intern), Joseph G. Miller, Esq., Steve Morris, Esq.

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 2:44 PM. The Chair noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a conflict. Minutes of the Health Services Council meeting of 21 January 2014 were adopted as submitted. A motion was made and passed by a vote of fifteen in favor and none opposed (12-0) that the availability of minutes for this meeting be extended beyond the time frame as provided for under the Open Meetings Act due to the increase in administrative burdens on staff. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Barry, Coia, DeToy, Donahue, Dowling, Feather, Graziano, Jeremiah, Panichas, Ricci, Shire.

The Report of the Nominating Committee of the Health Services Council was presented. Victoria Almeida, Esq., was nominated for Chair, Reverend David Shire was nominated for Vice Chair, and Maria Gil was nominated for Secretary. There being no others nominations from the floor, the nominations were closed.

2. General Order of Business

The next item on the agenda was the **Presentation on the Open Meetings Act by Lisa Pinsonneault, Special Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General**. Ms. Pinsonneault presented a PowerPoint and responded to questions of the members of the Council.

The next item on the agenda was the **Remand by the Hearing Officer of the decision to approve the Certificate of Need application of East Bay Comprehensive Cancer Center, LLC** - to make a finding of need consistent with the statutory and regulatory requirements. Reverend Shire, Vice-Chair, chaired the meeting on this matter as Ms. Almeida, Chair, recused. Dr. Dowling recused. Legal counsel to the Health Services Council provided guidance to the members as to the proceeding. Those members who had voted in favor of the motion from the February 26, 2013 meeting provided their reasons for voting in favor of the motion. Those members who had voted against the motion from the February 26, 2013 meeting provided their reasons for voting against the motion.

3. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:09 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael K. Dexter
Chief
Office of Health Systems Development