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**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**HEALTH SERVICES COUNCIL**

**DATE:** 23 August 2016

**TIME:** 2:30 PM

**LOCATION:** Department Operations Center  
Rhode Island Department of Health

**ATTENDANCE:**

Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Victoria M. Almeida, Esq. (Chair)	X		
John J. Barry III	X		
Stephen Boyle	X		
Donna Carris, CPA			X
Raymond C. Coia, Esq. (Secretary)	X		
John X. Donahue	X		
Lisa Lasky, CPA	X		
Jeanette S. Matrone, RN, PhD (Vice Chair)	X		
Tarah Provencal, Esq.	X		
Ralph F. Racca			X
John Sepe			X

**Staff:** Michael K. Dexter, Morgan Enroth, Stephen Morris, Esq., Sarah Parker, Paula Pullano, Sullivan Roberts.

**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 2:37 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 19 July 2016 were adopted as submitted. A motion was made and passed by a vote of eight in favor and none opposed (8-0) 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: Ms. Almeida, Mr. Barry, Mr. Boyle, Mr. Donahue, Ms. Lasky, Dr. Matrone, Ms. Provencal, and Mr. Racca.

## 2. General Order of Business

The next item on the agenda was the application of Yale-New Haven Health Services Corporation for Change in Effective Control of LMW Healthcare, Inc. d/b/a Westerly Hospital. Representatives of Yale-New Haven Health Services Corporation delivered a presentation and answered Council members' questions.

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John J. Schibler, CPA, Ph.D., Harborview Consulting, LLC, consultant to the Rhode Island Department of Health, delivered a presentation and answered Council members' questions.



Public comment was made by Michael A. Lichtenstein, MS, President and CEO, Wood River Health Services, who spoke in support of the application.

A motion was made by Dr. Matrone, seconded by Mr. Donahue and approved by a vote of eight in favor and none opposed (8-0) to recommend that the application be approved subject to the standard conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor included Ms. Almeida, Mr. Barry, Mr. Boyle, Mr. Donahue, Ms. Lasky, Dr. Matrone, Ms. Provencal and Mr. Racca.

## 3. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Paula Pullano*

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