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UNIVERSITY OF IOWA HOSPITALS AND CLINICS COMMITTEE  
BOARD OF REGENTS, STATE OF IOWA  
CORALVILLE MARRIOTT HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER  
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300 EAST NINTH STREET  
CORALVILLE, IOWA**

**Committee Members**

Robert Downer, Chair  
Jack Evans  
Bonnie Campbell

Michael Gartner  
Ruth Harkin  
Craig Lang

David Miles  
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**University of Iowa**

Ellen Baron, John Buatti, Ken Fisher, Jean Robillard, Gordon Williams,

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Chair Downer called the meeting to order at 12:34 p.m.

SUI Vice President for Medical Affairs Jean Robillard, Associate Vice President for Finance and Chief Financial Officer Ken Fisher, Project Manager Gordon Williams, Assistant Vice President for Communications Ellen Baron, Professor and Head of the Department of Radiation Oncology appeared before the Board.

MOVED by EVANS, SECONDED by LANG, to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2008, UIHC Committee meeting. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Vice President Robillard introduced Kenneth Kates, the new Chief Executive Officer of UIHC.

Vice President Robillard also provided an update on the use of the one percent increase in Medicaid reimbursement. The increase will be directed to permanently employed registered nurses in addition to any other increase they were to receive. The increase will be dispersed in three payments to approximately 2000 nurses. Each nurse will receive approximately \$500 each with a total cost of approximately \$1,000,000.

CFO Fisher provided an update on volume and financial performance. He indicated the UIHC is operating on budget and noted UIHC is 30 patients higher per day than the previous year and the case mix index for non-Medicare patients is the highest he has seen.

Regent Gartner inquired what the capacity of UIHC is compared to the 512 in-patient average.

CFO Fisher responded that 680 in-patients is the technical capacity and that in-patient population is highest in the middle of the week.

Project Manager Williams updated the committee on the planning for hospital facilities replacement and renovation. He indicated the current location of Hospital Parking Ramp 2 is being looked at as the most probably location for the new facilities.

President Pro Tem Evans asked where people will park if the ramp is torn down.

Project Manager Williams indicated UIHC is working with university parking and central administration to address parking and a final decision will be made after the final decision is made on the new construction location.

Regent Harkin inquired when the final decision would be made.

Project Manager Williams responded a firm decision would be made in a month or two.

Regent Gartner asked if height restrictions exist for that location and if the parking could be put on the bottom floors and the new facilities be built on top the parking space.

Project Manager Williams indicated that configuration is a possibility for that space.

Assistant Vice President Baron updated the committee on the UIHC marketing plan.

Regent Lang stated "Changing Medicine, Changing Lives" should be more clearly defined as "Empowering Medicine to Change Lives" to be more action oriented.

Assistant Vice President Baron responded the overall marketing plan is being reviewed.

Dr. Buatti provided an overview of the Department of Radiation Oncology as well as examples of how the image-guided equipment and technology is utilized.

Chair Downer concluded the committee meeting by thanking Dr. Rothman and Ann Williamson for their work on the search for a new C.E.O.

Chair Downer adjourned the meeting at 1:35 p.m.