

**UTAH MEDICAL BOARD
MEETING MINUTES**

**NOVEMBER 20, 2025
SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84114**

CONVENED: 11:15 A.M.

ADJOURNED: 12:39 P.M.

DIVISION STAFF PRESENT:

Licensing Administrator:	Larry Marx	UPHP:	Kelli Jacobsen
Board Secretary:	Allison Pulsipher	Legal Analyst:	Lauren Harvey
Bureau Manager:	Jim Garfield	Compliance Officer:	Jennifer Johnson
Assistant Attorney General:	Steven Green		

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Craig Davis, MD, Vice-Chair	Dr. Jonathan Olsen, DO
Dr. Nicole Clark, MD	Grant Madsen, Public Member
Dr. William Hamilton, MD	Rachel MacKay, Public Member
Marie Pittman-Cherrington, PA-C	Dr. Spencer Pierson, MD
Dr. Susan Wiet, MD	

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Dr. Stephen Voss, MD	Shaun Curran, PA-C
James Sutton, PA-C	Dr. Greg Hobson, DO
Dr. Alan Smith, MD, Chair	

GUESTS:

Chelsey Phippin	Dr. Preston Ward, MD
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Note: Other guests may have been in attendance electronically but were not identified.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Dr. Davis called the meeting to order at 11:15 am.

READ AND APPROVE SEPTEMBER 18, 2025 MINUTES (AUDIO – 0:03:15)

Dr. Hamilton motioned to approve the minutes as written.

Dr. Olsen seconded the motion.

The Board motion passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS:

Dr. Preston Ward, Informal Hearing (Audio – 0:03:45)

Mr. Marx introduced Division Counsel Attorney Stevn Green.

Assistant Attorney General Green presented the Divisions concerns regarding Dr. Ward and informed the Board of the Divisions requests today.

Ms. Jacobsen reviewed the evaluation UPHP did regarding his case and testing requirements.

Ms. Jacobsen testified to the Board about the different issues UPHP has had regarding Dr. Ward's testing requirements.

Assistant Attorney General Green asked Ms. Jacobsen why UPHP and the Division is asking for Dr. Ward to complete a new evaluation.

Ms. Jacobsen informed the Board of UPHP's concerns and why they would like Dr. Ward to be re-evaluated.

Assistant Attorney General Green reminded the Board what the purpose of today's informal hearing.

Dr. Pierson asked what type of re-evaluation UPHP is requesting.

Ms. Jacobsen informed the Board they would like a multi-disciplinary evaluation to be completed to review multiple different aspects.

Dr. Wiet expressed her concerns over what has been presented and stated she agrees a new multi-disciplinary evaluation should be required.

Ms. Jacobsen stated that UPHP wants to help Dr. Ward have a successful probation and wants to provide the right kind of support through his order.

Mr. Marx asked Ms. Chelsey Phippen or Dr. Ward if they had input and response they would like to provide to the Board today.

Ms. Phippen, Legal Council for Dr. Ward, reviewed Dr. Ward's response to the Division's Notice of Agency Action and UPHP's request for re-evaluation.

Dr. Davis asked to hear from Dr. Ward.

Dr. Ward expressed his thoughts on his current situation and what he has done in his personal life to try to remedy the new concerns.

Ms. Jacobsen asked Dr. Ward for clarification regarding his meetings with Colorado's Professional Health Program (CPHP).

Dr. Ward informed the Division and the Board of the meetings he had with CPHP and the outcome of those meetings.

Ms. Jacobsen stated the reason UPHP would like a new independent evaluation to be completed to ensure they have complete, unbiased, and objective evaluation.

Assistant Attorney General Green provided final thoughts regarding the discussion had today.

Mr. Marx reminded the Board why the Division is asking for re-evaluation and reviewed Utah Code 58-67-601(4).

Dr. Hamilton made a motion to close the meeting in accordance with the Open and Public Meetings Act, 52-4-205(1)(a) to discuss the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual.

Dr. Olsen seconded the motion.

All Board members voted in favor of closing the meeting.

The meeting was closed at 12:32 p.m. The meeting was opened at 1:07 p.m.

Dr. Davis summarized the discussion had during the closed session.

Dr. Olsen motioned in agreement with the Division recommendation to require an additional multi-disciplinary assessment for Dr. Ward.

Ms. McKay seconded the motion.

The Board motion passed the motion unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Upcoming Hearing Schedule

Mr. Marx reminded the board of the anticipated upcoming hearing schedule.

2026 MEETING SCHEDULE:

JANURARY 15TH, MARCH 19TH, MAY 21ST, JULY 16TH, SEPTEMBER 17TH,
NOVEMBER 19TH

ADJOURN:

Meeting adjourned at 12:39 P.M.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

1/15/2026 (ss) 
Date Approved **Chairperson, Utah Medical Licensing Board**

1/15/2026 (ss) 
Date Approved **Licensing Administrator, DOPL**