

**UTAH OPTOMETRIST
LICENSING BOARD
ELECTRONIC MEETING MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 28, 2025 9:00 AM
SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84114**

CONVENED: 9:03 A.M.

ADJOURNED: 9:35 A.M.

DOPL STAFF PRESENT:

Bureau Manager: Larry Marx
Compliance Specialist: Bernice Palama

Board Secretary: Allison Pulsipher

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Yardley, OD
Nathan Wilcox, Public Member

Michael Judkins, OD
David Masihdas, OD

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Victoria Bennion, Public Member
Brent Croft, OD

Cori Callahan, OD

GUESTS:

Chanae Landeen, UOA
Mark Taylor, OD, UOA

Robert Wooldridge, OD

Note: Other guests may have been in attendance electronically but were not identified.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Call Meeting to Order

Mr. Marx called the meeting to order at 9:03 am.

New Board Member Introductions (0:03:10)

Dr. Yardley introduced himself to the Board and provided the oath of office.

Board Chair Vote (0:06:05)

Dr. Yardley nominated Dr. Judkins to be Board Chair.

Dr. Judkins nominated Dr. Masihdas to be Board Chair.

The Board voted for favor of Dr. Judkins to be Board Chair.

Read and Approve July 29, 2025 Minutes (0:24:35)

Dr. Masihdas motioned to approve the meeting minutes.

Mr. Wilcox seconded the motion.

The Board motion passed unanimously.

Open and Public Meeting Act (0:11:20)

Mr. Marx reviewed the open and public meeting act.

Compliance Report (0:13:45)

Ms. Palama gave the compliance report.

Dr. Paxman will complete his first year on probation in August and is set to end in 2027.

Dr. Paxman has asked for early release of his stipulation.

APPOINTMENT:

Dr. Paul Paxman – Probationary Interview (0:14:30)

Dr. Paxman apologized to the Board for missing his previous check-in with the Board.

Dr. Judkins started the interview by asking Dr. Paxman about his current employment.

Dr. Paxman stated he is working in the field roughly 20 hours a week.

Dr. Judkins asked Ms. Palama if Dr. Paxman has been compliant in all other aspects of his probation.

Ms. Palama stated Dr. Paxman has been compliant with his probation and has completed all required continuing education and reports.

Dr. Masihdas motioned to release Dr. Paxman from his probation.

Dr. Yardley seconded the motion.

The Board motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION:

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: JANUARY 27, 2026

ADJOURN:

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 A.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.

April 28 2026

Date Approved

(ss) Michael J. Jellison OT

**Chairperson,
Utah Board of Optometry Licensing Board**

4/28/2026

Date Approved

(ss) Larry Marx

Bureau Manager, DOPL