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Stanford Taylor releases statement on denial of Palmyra-Eagle Area School District's dissolution order

MADISON – State Superintendent of Public Instruction Carolyn Stanford Taylor issued the following statement in response to today's action on the dissolution order of the Palmyra-Eagle Area School District.

"The School District Boundary Appeals Board decided today to deny the proposal to dissolve the Palmyra-Eagle Area School District.

State law dictated the criteria for the decision and the makeup of the board: six locally elected school board members from across Wisconsin, plus my designee. Faced with a question that had no perfect answer, the seven-member group heard hours of passionate testimony from people whose lives will be impacted.

My designee, David Carlson, voted to affirm dissolution, which I support, based on the local school board's decision, and the affirmation of the advisory referendum. The board's majority laid out the reasoning for their decision in the motion they passed. Each board member based their decision on what they believed was in the best interest of the educational welfare of all area students.

Thank you to the board members for your work and thoughtful deliberation throughout the process."

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