Super's resignation turns termination in local school district

(KAIR)--A local area school superintendent, who previously submitted a letter of resignation, has instead been terminated.

That's according to <u>WIBW-TV</u>, which reports that the contract of Jeff West USD 340 Superintendent Jason Crawford was terminated, following the introduction of a resolution to do so, during the Board of Education's special session, held October 16.

The TV station reports that a reason for the termination has not been given, but does cite school district documents that indicate that the intent to terminate followed "violation of rules and regulations of USD 340." Crawford was given 15 days to request a hearing, with his pay suspended October 16.

Crawford's letter of resignation was accepted by the School Board on October 10, pending legal review, with his resignation following a controversial rebranding plan for the school district, which Crawford previously said led to threats against him and his family.

The Board of Education, the TV station reports, has now agreed to enter into a contract with retired educator Brad Neunswander and the University of Kansas to fill the position of interim superintendent, a role Neunswander is expected to hold from November 1 to June 30, 2024.

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