Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District
Board of Education
1130 Miles Street, Chippewa Falls, WI
Executive Session Meeting Minutes from December 3, 2025
Special Board Meeting
3:50 PM Executive Session

1. Convene

1.01 Call to Order

Peggy McKillip, Board Vice President, called the meeting to order at 3:50 PM.

1.02 Roll Call: Members Present: Sherry Jasper, David Martineau, Sharon McIlquham, Peggy McKillip,

Steve Olson

Members Absent: Dave Czech, Dennis Fehr

*only absent at the time of the roll call. Dennis Fehr arrived at 3:55 pm and Dave Czech arrived at 3:57 pm.

1.03 Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Sherry Jasper, second by Sharon L McIlquham to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carries on a unanimous voice vote.

Voting Aye: Steve J Olson, Sharon L McIlquham, Sherry Jasper, David Martineau, Peggy McKillip

1.04 Approval of Executive Session Agenda

Motion by Sharon L McIlquham, second by Steve J Olson to approve the executive session agenda as presented.

Motion carries on a unanimous voice vote.

Voting Aye: Steve J Olson, Sharon L McIlquham, Sherry Jasper, David Martineau, Peggy McKillip

1.05 Move to Adjourn to Executive Session

Motion by David Martineau, second by Steve J Olson to move to Executive Session pursuant to Section 19.85 (1)(c), (f), and (g) of the WI State Statutes for the purpose of discussing legal/litigations matters with legal counsel, interviewing finalist candidates for the superintendent position and consideration of selection of candidate for the superintendent position.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting Aye: Dennis Fehr, Steve J Olson, Sharon L McIlquham, Sherry Jasper, David Martineau, Peggy McKillip

Dennis Fehr arrived at 3:55 pm and Dave Czech arrived at 3:57 pm.

2. Executive Session

2.01 Discuss Legal/Litigation Matter(s) with Legal Counsel

The Board received a legal update from Attorney Lubinsky, legal counsel for the Sun Prairie Area School District. Attorney Kirk Strang and Rebecca Stigler were also present.

2.02 Superintendent Candidate Finalist Interviews

The Board interviewed Dr. Sarah Chaja-Clardy.

The Board interviewed Dr. Brad Saron.

2.03 Selection of Candidate for Superintendent Position

The Board reviewed the input statements received from the administration, staff, and community interview teams. The Board had a discussion.

Motion by Sharon L McIlquham, second by Dennis Fehr to offer Dr. Brad Saron the superintendent position with a contingency that the report from the internal investigation does not implicate him and to authorize Sara Denure and Chad Trowbridge to work with legal counsel to draft a contract.

Motion carries on a roll call vote.

Voting Aye: David P Czech, Dennis Fehr, Steve J Olson, Sharon L McIlquham, Sherry Jasper, Peggy McKillip Abstain: David Martineau

3. Reconvene to Public Session

3.01 Reconvene to Public Session to announce or take action, if any and if appropriate, arising out of the closed session

The Board reconvened to public session at 9:29 pm.

4. Adjourn

4.01 Motion to Adjourn

Motion by David Martineau, second by Sharon L McIlquham to adjourn at 9:30 pm. Motion carries on a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dave Czech, Board President
Sherry Jasper, Board Clerk
Angela Feils, Board Secretary