Former Cards Manager Issues Statement After His Dismissal Last Thursday

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ST. LOUIS - Former Cards manager Mike Shildt came out with a prepared statement late Monday morning after it was announced last Thursday he will not be retained for the 2022 St. Louis Cardinals' baseball season.

Shildt was fired despite leading the Redbirds to the wild-card game against Los Angeles.

"I was taught not to talk out of school, and while clearly there were differences that led to this parting of ways, out of respect for the organization and the people that run, I can only express gratitude," he said. "All the philosophies that were shared over the many years, most of which together, allowed us to part ways as professional friends. What differences there were will be left remained unsaid."

The Cardinals fired former National League manager of the year Mike Shildt over organizational differences Thursday, just one week after St. Louis lost to the Los Angeles Dodgers on a walk-off homer in the wild-card game.

Cardinals president John Mozeliak said last week Shildt's dismissal was "something that popped up recently," but he refused to expand on what he called "philosophical differences" with Shildt.

"All I can say is where we felt the team was going, we were struggling to get on the same page," Mozeliak said.