

BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of the )  
Educator License of )  
PETER A. SWAN ) STIPULATION OF FACTS AND  
FINAL ORDER OF REVOCATION  
OF RIGHT TO APPLY

On October 10, 2018, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) received a misconduct report from the Central Curry School District (CCSD), indicating possible professional misconduct on the part of licensed educator, Peter A. Swan, (Swan.)

After review of the matters alleged, Swan and the Commission agree that their respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a stipulation to certain facts and the revocation of Swan’s right to apply for an Oregon educator license.

This Order sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the sanction to be imposed. Swan stipulates that there are sufficient facts contained in the Commission’s files and records to support the findings of fact and conclusions of law set forth below. In entering into this stipulation, Swan waives the right to a hearing to contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law and order set forth below.

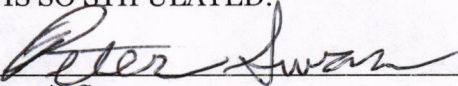
By signing below, Swan acknowledges, understands, stipulates, and agrees to the following: (i) he has been fully advised of his rights to notice and a hearing to contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below, and fully and finally waives all such rights and any rights to appeal or otherwise challenge this Stipulation of Facts and Final Order of Revocation of Right to Apply (Stipulation and Final Order); (ii) this Stipulation and Final Order is a public document and disclosed to the public upon request by the Commission; (iii) this Stipulation and Final Order is contingent upon and subject to approval and adoption by the Commission. If the Commission does not approve and adopt this Stipulation and Final Order, then neither Swan nor the Commission are bound by the terms herein; (iv) he has fully read this Stipulation and Final Order, and understands it completely; (v) he voluntarily, without any force or duress, enters into this Stipulation and Final Order and consents to issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below; (vi) he states that no promise or representation has been made to induce him to sign this Stipulation and Final Order; and (vii) he has consulted with an attorney regarding this Stipulation and Final Order and has been fully advised with regard to his rights thereto, or waives any and all rights to consult with an

attorney prior to entering into this Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below.

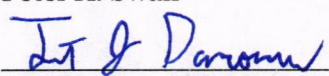
### STIPULATION OF FACTS

1. The Commission has licensed Swan since August 7, 2018. Swan held a Reciprocal Teaching License, with an endorsement in Biology (PK-12), valid from August 7, 2018, through August 07, 2019. During all relevant times, Swan was employed by the Central Curry School District (CCSD).
2. On October 10, 2018, the Commission received a misconduct report from the CCSD indicating Swan may have committed acts which constitute gross neglect of duty and / or gross unfitness. CCSD reported that Swan engaged in inappropriate personal communication via social media and text messaging with a female student, (AD) who was a minor female student in Swan's class. The communication was sexual/romantic in nature. It was determined this communication occurred while Swan was under the influence of alcohol and after school hours while Swan was at home.
3. On July 9, 2020, Swan interviewed with TSPC investigative staff and admitted to having inappropriate communication with AD outside of school via social media and texting. Swan indicated that when he communicated with AD, he was under the influence of alcohol and stated that that he struggled with alcoholism. Additionally, Swan admitted to asking AD to meet him on the beach several times, outside of school, and commented on some of AD's Instagram pictures by calling them cute.
4. Swan resigned his teaching position with CCSD in October 2018, at the conclusion of the district's investigation regarding this matter.
5. During Swan's interview with TSPC, he provided documentation that he completed a residential 12-step recover program on May 31, 2019.

IT IS SO STIPULATED:

  
Peter A. Swan

11-19-2020  
Date

  
Trent Danowski, Deputy Director  
Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

12/1/2020  
Date



**CONCLUSION OF LAW**

The conduct described above constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(1) (*Recognize the worth and dignity of all persons and respect for each individual*), OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*), OAR 584-020-0025(2)(e) (*Using district lawful and reasonable rules and regulations*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(1)(b) (*Refrain from exploiting professional relationships with any student for personal gain, or in support of persons or issues*), OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(A) (*Not demonstrating or expressing professionally inappropriate interest in a student's personal life*), and OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(D) (*Honoring appropriate adult boundaries with students in conduct and conversations at all times*).

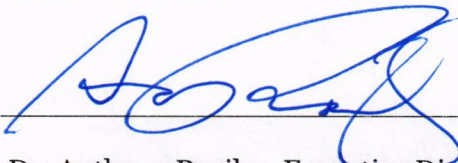
The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS 342.175.

**ORDER**

The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, and based thereon, imposes a revocation on Peter Swan's right to apply for an Oregon educator license.

Issued and dated this 5 day of February 2021 *AS*  
~~November 2020.~~

**TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION  
STATE OF OREGON**

By   
Dr. Anthony Rosilez, Executive Director