

1 District and providing substitute teaching services to the Rouge River School
2 District.

- 3 2. On April 15, 2015, the Commission received a report from the Oregon Department of
4 Human Services alleging that Swanson had inappropriately touched a female
5 student. On June 11, 2015, the Commission received a report from the Rogue River
6 School District asserting similar allegations. On June 15, 2015, the Commission
7 received a report from the Southern Oregon Education Service District, also
8 reporting possible misconduct related to the other reports. The resulting district, law
9 enforcement, and Commission investigations determined that on or about April 2nd
10 and 3rd, 2015, while Swanson was employed as a substitute teacher at Rouge Rive
11 High School, Swanson used inappropriate language to include the word “pussy”, in
12 the classroom, while in the presence of students. Swanson was witnessed looking at
13 the breasts and buttocks of female students while they were seated in the classroom
14 and as they would leave the room. Swanson also inappropriately touched a 14-year-
15 old female student on her buttocks with his hand. The resulting police investigation
16 of sex abuse allegations led to a criminal charge of Harassment (ORS 166.065), a
17 class A misdemeanor. Investigation determined Swanson’s conduct to be
18 inappropriate and in violation of local policy, and Swanson’s employment was
19 terminated. At a later date, the criminal charges were dismissed as a result of a plea
20 agreement that required Swanson to permanently surrender his teaching license. On
21 June 13, 2016, the Commission received a letter from Swanson surrendering his
22 teaching license.

23 CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

24 Danny Ray Swanson’s conduct describes above constitutes gross neglect of duty
25 in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR
26 584-020-0010(1) (*Recognize the worth and dignity of all persons and respect for each*
27 *individual*), OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*), OAR 584-020-
28 0025(2)(e) (*Using district lawful and reasonable rules and regulations*); and OAR 584-
29 020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(D) (*Honoring*
30 *appropriate adult boundaries with students in conduct and conversations at all times*).
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1 The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon
2 ORS 342.175.

3 **FINAL ORDER**

4 The Commission hereby revokes Danny Ray Swanson's Oregon educator license
5 and revokes his right to apply for an Oregon educator license.

6 IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 27th day of February, 2017.

7 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

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10 By: Monica Beane
11 Dr. Monica Beane, Executive Director

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NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW MAY
BE OBTAINED BY FILING A PETITION FOR REVIEW WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE
SERVICE OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW IS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF
ORS 183.482 TO THE OREGON COURT OF APPEALS.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I served the foregoing notice of final order, certified by me as such, by mailing U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail—Return Receipt Requested, addressed to:

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Dated this 27th day of February, 2017.

By: Patty Sheldon
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