

1 Order, then neither Mr. Meiner nor the Commission are bound by the terms herein; (iv) he has
2 fully read this Stipulation and Final Order, and understands it completely; (v) he voluntarily
3 enters into this Stipulation and Final Order and consents to issuance and entry of the Stipulated
4 Final Order below; (vi) he has consulted with an attorney regarding this Stipulation and Final
5 Order and has been fully advised with regard to his rights thereto, or waives any and all rights to
6 consult with an attorney prior to entering into this Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and
7 entry of the Stipulated Final Order below.

8 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**

9 1. The Commission has licensed Meiner since August 16, 1998. Mr. Meiner holds a
10 Standard Teaching License with a Standard Language Arts Endorsement, issued December 5,
11 2007, valid through December 4, 2012.

12 2. Mr. Meiner began employment with Portland Public School on September 24, 1998
13 serving as an English teacher. Mr. Meiner resigned at the end of the 2008 school year.

14 3. On April 20, 2008 police responded to an argument at the Meiner home between Mr.
15 Meiner and Mrs. Meiner regarding the presence of a 17-year old female student at the home
16 and an allegation of an inappropriate relationship between Mr. Meiner and the student.

17 4. Mrs. Meiner explained to police that the couple was currently divorcing and part of the
18 mediation agreement mandated that the student not be in the home alone with Mr. Meiner.

19 5. Mrs. Meiner provided police with evidence of an inappropriate relationship between
20 Mr. Meiner and the student. Such evidence included a box from the student containing the
21 female students undergarments and a note which read in part "Panties!...And there is more
22 where that came from..." Mrs. Meiner also reported to police that she found a very personal
23 email to the female student from Mr. Meiner.


24 6. Police also responded to the attempted suicide of the female student at the scene of
25 the Meiner home. The student explained to police that she was distraught about being
26 confronted with allegations of a sexual relationship with Mr. Meiner.

1 7. Mr. Meiner admitted that the students' undergarments were in the home, but denied a
2 sexual relationship, explaining to police that student sometimes did her laundry at the home.

3 IT IS SO STIPULATED:

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5 Karl J. Meiner

8/07/08
Date

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7 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director
8 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

804-08
Date

9 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

10 Karl J. Meiner failed to maintain appropriate professional student-teacher relationship
11 with a female student. This conduct constitutes Gross Neglect of Duty in violation of OAR 584-
12 020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(D). Mr. Meiner sent inappropriate
13 email and notes to a female student. This conduct constitutes Gross Neglect of Duty in violation
14 of OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(B). Mr. Meiner did not
15 report to Portland Public Schools that he had received overly personal communications from a
16 student. This conduct constitutes Gross Neglect of Duty in violation of OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o)
17 as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(C). The Commission's authority to impose discipline
18 in this matter is based upon ORS 342.175.

19 **ORDER**

20 The Commission accepts the surrender of Karl J. Meiner's Standard Teaching License
21 and hereby revokes said license.

22 IT IS SO ORDERED this 11th day of August, 2008.

23 **TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION**

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25 By: 
26 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director

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