

1 BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

2 STATE OF OREGON

3 In the Matter of the
4 Teaching License of:

5 JOHN H. KOCH,

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STIPULATION AND ORDER

On or about January 25, 1999, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (the "Commission") issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to John Koch ("Koch") in which the Commission proposed to suspend or revoke his teaching licenses or otherwise impose discipline under ORS 342.177. The Commission and Koch have now reviewed the matters alleged and agree that their respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a stipulation to certain facts and the suspension of Koch's teaching license effective April 28 to August 15, 1999. This agreement sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the sanctions to be imposed. In entering into this Stipulation, Koch waives his right to a hearing to contest any of the findings set forth below or to contest the Commission's Order.

16 FINDINGS OF FACT

- 17 1. Koch was employed as a high school teacher by the Estacada School District during the
- 18 1997-98 school year.
- 19 2. During the 1997-98 school year, Koch failed to demonstrate personal integrity when he
- 20 used school resources and facilities during school time to recruit students for an independent,
- 21 non-school sponsored tour in Europe.
- 22 3. Between July 1 and 15, 1999, while acting as Group Leader for the Educational
- 23 Foundation Tours in Europe, Koch failed to demonstrate personal integrity when he consumed
- 24 alcohol with current Estacada High School students and smoked marijuana in the presence of a *JK*
- 25 recent graduate of the school.

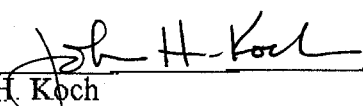
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1 4. Koch recognizes the seriousness of his conduct. Koch resigned his teaching position at
 2 Estacada High School on August 28, 1998. He further agrees to a suspension of his teaching
 3 license.

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 5 Koch voluntarily enters into this Stipulation of Facts with knowledge that the
 6 Commission will suspend his teaching license from April 28 to August 15, 1999.

7 This Stipulation is contingent upon approval and adoption of the Order by the
 8 Commission. If the Commission does not adopt this Order, neither Koch nor the Commission
 9 are bound by these Stipulations and Koch retains all rights to a hearing on the allegations.

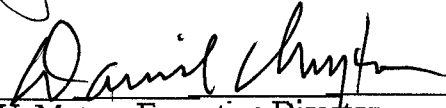
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 John H. Koch

May 12, 1999

 Date



 David V. Myton, Executive Director
 Teacher Standards & Practices Commission

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Koch's actions set forth above constitute a violation of OAR 584-020-0010(5) and 584-020-0040(4)(b) and (5).

ORDER

The Commission adopts the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law. The Commission orders a suspension of Koch's teaching license from April 28 to August 15, 1999.

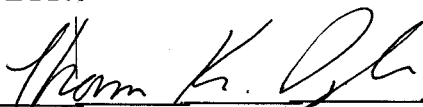
DATED this 19th day of May 1999.

TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION



By: David V. Myton, Executive Director
Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

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