

In the Matter of the)
Charter School Registration of)
MARK E. HAZELTON)

(Commission) issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Mark Edmund Hazelton (Hazelton) in which the Commission charged him with Gross Neglect of Duty pursuant to ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5), OAR 584-020-0025(3)(a), and OAR 584-020-0025(3)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(2)(a); and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(i). The Notice was sent via U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail Receipt 7010 0290 0001 6831 3551 to the address on file with the Commission. The Certified Mail was returned unclaimed to TSPC marked "Restricted Delivery" July 7, 2011. The regular mail was not returned to the Commission. The Notice of Opportunity of Hearing, dated June 17, 2011, and signed by Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director, stated:

“IF A REQUEST FOR HEARING IS NOT RECEIVED WITHIN THIS 21-DAY PERIOD, YOUR RIGHT TO A HEARING SHALL BE CONSIDERED WAIVED UNLESS YOUR FAILURE TO REQUEST A HEARING WAS BEYOND YOUR REASONABLE CONTROL. IF YOU DO NOT REQUEST A HEARING OR IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AT A HEARING, THE COMMISSION WILL ADOPT AN ORDER OF DEFAULT WHICH MAY INCLUDE THE REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION OF YOUR LICENSE OR OTHER DISCIPLINE.”

Hazelton did not request a hearing. The Commission, therefore, finds Hazelton to be in default and enters the following findings of fact, conclusions of law and order, based on the files and records of the Commission concerning this matter.

1 **FINDINGS OF FACTS**

- 2 1. Mark E. Hazelton has been licensed as a charter school administrator in
3 Oregon since February 4, 2008. Hazelton's Administrative Charter School
4 Registration, issued on February 5, 2011, expires on February 4, 2014. During
5 all relevant times, Hazelton was employed by the Kings Valley Charter School.
6 2. Anna Bowman was employed by the Kings Valley Charter School as a Spanish
7 teacher beginning in 2007. The Commission did not receive Ms. Bowman's
8 application for a Charter School Registry to teach until May 18, 2008. Ms. Bowman
9 worked without a Teaching License or Charter School Registry. Hazelton was the
10 chief administrator of Kings Valley Charter School during this time, and as such was
11 responsible for the proper licensure or registration of the teaching staff.
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13 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

14 Mark E. Hazelton's employment of an educator without a License or Charter
15 School Registry constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR
16 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use of professional*
17 *judgment*), OAR 584-020-0025(3)(a) (*Leadership skills in managing the school, its*
18 *students, staff, and programs as required by lawful and reasonable district policies,*
19 *rules, and regulations, state and federal laws and regulations, and other programs as*
20 *assigned, and assures that staff is informed of these requirements*), and OAR 584-020-
21 0025(3)(b) (*Skills in planning and staff assignment*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it
22 incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(2)(a) (*Apply for, accept, offer, or assign a position of*
23 *responsibility only on the basis of professional qualifications, and will adhere to the*
24 *conditions of a contract or the terms of the appointment*); and OAR 584-020-
25 0040(4)(i) (*Deliberately assigning an educator in violation of licensure requirements*).
26 The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS
27 342.175.

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FINAL ORDER

The Commission hereby, imposes a Public Reprimand on Mark E.
Hazelton's Administrative Charter School Registration.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 6th day of January, 2012.

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

By 
Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director

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.