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

In the Matter of the)	
Teaching and Administrative Licenses of)	DEFAULT ORDER
RICHARD JAMES HANSON)	REVOKING LICENSES
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In June 1995, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission received information, indicating that Richard James Hanson was under investigation for alleged theft and fraud of Salem-Keizer School District funds and equipment. The Executive Secretary took action to notify Mr. Hanson of intent to suspend or revoke his Oregon Teaching and Administrative licenses, and to inform him of his opportunity for hearing. The notice, dated April 11, 1996, and signed by David V. Myton, Executive Secretary, stated:

"You, Richard James Hanson, are entitled to a hearing on the proposed suspension or revocation of your Oregon Administrative and Teaching license. If you desire a hearing, you must notify the Executive Secretary of the Commission, in writing, within 21 days of the date of this notice."

The notice of opportunity for hearing was sent by U.S. Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested. The Return Receipt #P 196 850 994 was signed by Hanson on April 15, 1996 and received by TSPC on April 17, 1996. Mr. Hanson did not request a hearing.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Richard James Hanson failed to follow district policies, rules and regulations in expenditure of school district funds.
- 2. Mr. Hanson knowingly used the district's financial resources, materials and equipment for personal purposes.
- 3. Mr. Hanson pled guilty to one count of felony theft in Marion County Circuit Court on February 23, 1996, for misappropriation of Salem-Keizer School District funds.

ULTIMATE FINDINGS OF FACT

Richard James Hanson violated TSPC Standards for Competent and Ethical Performance of Oregon Educators under 584-20-040(4)(a) by knowing and substantial unauthorized use of school district resources for personal purposes.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Under ORS 342.175(5) a violation of Standards for Competent and Ethical Performance of Oregon Educators is admissible as evidence of gross neglect of duty.

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ORDER

The Commission revokes the Standard Administrative License #912931 and revokes the right to reinstate the Standard Teaching License #200361, issued to Richard James Hanson

Dated this <u>Jy</u> day of <u>May</u>, 1996.

TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

David V. Myton, Executive Secretary

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.

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