

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

3   In the Matter of the   )           STIPULATION OF FACTS,  
4   Teaching License of   )           AND FINAL ORDER  
5   RHONDA LYNN STECKER                                       )           OF REPRIMAND  
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7           On May 1, 2009, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission)  
8 internally referred Rhonda Lynn Stecker (Stecker) for teaching outside of her endorsement area.

9           After review of the matters alleged, Stecker and the Commission agree that their  
10 respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a stipulation to certain  
11 facts and imposition of a Public Reprimand on her teaching license.

12           This document sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the stipulated  
13 sanction to be imposed. Stecker stipulates that there is sufficient evidence in the Commission's  
14 files and records to support the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below.

15           By signing below, Stecker acknowledges, understands, stipulates, and agrees to the  
16 following: (i) she has been fully advised of her rights to notice and a hearing to contest the  
17 findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below, and fully and finally waives all  
18 such rights and any rights to appeal or otherwise challenge this Stipulation of Facts, Order of  
19 Reprimand (Stipulation and Final Order); (ii) this Stipulation and Final Order is a public  
20 document and disclosed to the public upon request by the Commission; (iii) this Stipulation and  
21 Final Order is contingent upon and subject to approval and adoption by the Commission. If the  
22 Commission does not approve and adopt this Stipulation and Final Order, then neither Stecker  
23 nor the Commission are bound by the terms herein; (iv) she has fully read this Stipulation and  
24 Final Order, and understands it completely; (v) she voluntarily, without any force or duress,  
25 enters into this Stipulation and Final Order and consents to issuance and entry of the Stipulated  
26 Final Order below; (vi) she states that no promises or representation has been made to induce  
27 her to sign this Stipulation and Final Order; and (vii) she has consulted with an attorney  
28 regarding this Stipulation and Final Order and has been fully advised with regard to her rights  
29 thereto, or waives any and all rights to consult with an attorney prior to entering into this  
30 Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below. This  
31 stipulation is contingent upon approval and adoption of the Order by the Commission. If the  
32 Commission does not adopt this Order, neither Stecker nor the Commission are bound by these  
33 Stipulations and Stecker retains all rights to a hearing on the allegations.

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1 IT IS SO STIPULATED:

2 Rhonda (Stecker)

3 Rhonda Lynn Stecker

2-8-11

Date

4 Victoria Chamberlain

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

3-2-11

Date

10 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

11 Rhonda Lynn Stecker served outside of the endorsement area of her license. This  
12 conduct constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-  
13 0040(4)(r) (*Knowingly working without a license*), and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it  
14 incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*) and OAR 584-020-  
15 0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(2)(a) (*Apply for, accept, offer, or assign a*  
16 *position of responsibility only on the basis of professional qualifications, and will adhere to the*  
17 *conditions of a contract or the terms of the appointment*).

18 The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS  
19 342.175.

20 **ORDER**

21 The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and  
22 conclusion of law, based thereon, hereby imposes a Public Reprimand on the Teaching License  
23 of Rhonda Lynn Stecker.

24 IT IS SO ORDERED this 2 day of March, 2011.

25 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

26 By: Victoria Chamberlain  
27 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director  
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