

IDAHO PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMISSION

In the matter of the certificate/certificate of:

Case No. 21927

Karolyn Crockett,

FINAL ORDER

Respondent

The Chief Certification Officer for the State of Idaho filed an Administrative Complaint against the educator certificate issued to Karolyn Crockett, seeking for the Professional Standards Commission to impose discipline on Ms. Crockett's certificate. See Idaho Code § 33-1209. Because Ms. Crockett did not request a hearing within 30 days, and because Ms. Crockett was determined to be in default by a hearing/presiding officer, the allegations in the Administrative Complaint are treated as admitted, Idaho Code § 33-1209(3), and are incorporated by reference as findings of fact.

Based on these findings, the Professional Standards Commission concludes that Ms. Crockett willfully violated the following principles of the Code of Ethics adopted by the State Board of Education. Idaho Code § 33-1208(1)(j).

The Commission specifically holds that Ms. Crockett's conduct or course of conduct willfully violated a principle of the code of ethics that was adopted by the Idaho State Board of Education. Idaho Code § 33-1208(1)(j) ("Willful violation of any professional code or standard of ethics or conduct, adopted by the state board of education"). Specifically, Ms. Crockett violated Code of Ethics Principle VIII (Idaho Admin. Code r. 08.02.02.076.09) ("A professional educator fulfills all terms and obligations detailed in the contract with the local board of education or education agency for the duration of the contract.").

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This Order is effective on the day it is signed. This Order and the Administrative Complaint, which will be attached to this Order, are public records, and may be made available on the State Department of Education or the Professional Standards Commission's website.

Dated this 24 day of November, 2020.


Elisa Saffle, Member
Idaho Professional Standards Commission

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 30th day of November, 2020, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing by the following method to:

Karolyn Crockett



- U.S. Mail
- Hand Delivery
- Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested
- Overnight Mail
- Email:

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Idaho State Department of Education

7. The School Board Chair signed the 2019-2020 school year contract on June 6, 2019.

8. On June 7, 2019, Ms. Crockett informed the School that she was interviewing for a position with the Jerome School District, and then informed the School on June 10, 2019, that she had been offered a position, but had not yet accepted it.

9. Ms. Crockett submitted a resignation letter on June 12, 2019, to the School, which the School board voted not to accept on June 20, 2019.

10. The School subsequently found another math teacher who signed a contract in July 2019 to teach the 2019-2020 school year.

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11. Ms. Crockett's conduct or course of conduct willfully violated a principle of the code of ethics that was adopted by the Idaho State Board of Education. Idaho Code § 33-1208(1)(j) ("Willful violation of any professional code or standard of ethics or conduct, adopted by the state board of education"). Specifically, Ms. Crockett violated Code of Ethics Principle VIII (Idaho Admin. Code r. 08.02.02.076.09) ("A professional educator fulfills all terms and obligations detailed in the contract with the local board of education or education agency for the duration of the contract.").

REQUEST FOR RELIEF

The Chief Certification Officer requests that the Commission grant the following relief, as permitted under Idaho Code §§ 33-1208 and 33-1209:

1. Issue a letter of reprimand.
2. That if Ms. Crockett requests a hearing, a hearing be conducted before a hearing panel, where the Chief Certification Officer and Ms. Crockett may present evidence concerning the allegations in this Administrative Complaint, to aid the hearing panel in

NOTIFICATION OF PROCEDURAL RIGHTS

The Professional Standards Commission wishes to notify you of the following rights.

An administrative action has been initiated against your certificate(s). Under Idaho Code § 33-1209, if you wish to contest the allegations set forth in the administrative complaint, you must request a hearing. This request must be (1) made not more than 30 days after the date of service (mailing) of the administrative complaint, (2) in writing, and (3) addressed to the state superintendent of public instruction. **If you do not request a hearing or do not comply with the requirements for requesting a hearing, the allegations in this administrative complaint will be treated as admitted under Idaho Code § 33-1209(3).**

In response to this administrative complaint, you must file an answer pursuant to IDAPA rule 04.11.01.270, but you must file the answer at least 30 days prior to the day of the hearing.

You have the right to be represented by legal counsel, at your own expense, during this administrative proceeding. In addition, you are entitled to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, documents, and other things relevant to the proceedings.

This administrative proceeding is governed by provisions of the Idaho Code, including the Idaho Administrative Procedure Act, and by provisions of the Idaho Administrative Code, including the Idaho Rules of Administrative Procedure of the Attorney General that have been adopted by the Board of Education. You may access these laws and rules online or via the Idaho State Law Library.

To request a hearing, you must deliver your request to the following address or fax number:

Sherri Ybarra
Superintendent of Public Instruction
Re: Professional Standards Commission Hearing
650 West State Street, Room 200
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0027
Telephone: (208) 332-6800
Facsimile: (208) 334-2228

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ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT

Lisa Colón Durham, Chief Certification Officer for the State of Idaho, alleges the following against Karolyn Crockett.

GENERAL AVERMENTS

1. The Professional Standards Commission (Commission) regulates teacher certification in Idaho.

2. The Chief Certification Officer is empowered to file an administrative complaint against the certificate of a teacher or other individual certified under the authority of the Idaho State Board of Education. Idaho Code § 33-1209.

3. Ms. Crockett holds the following certificate and endorsements issued under the authority of the Idaho State Board of Education:

- a. Standard Secondary Certificate with Mathematics (6-12) and Physical Education (PE) (K-12) endorsements, effective September 1, 2016, through August 31, 2021.

4. Ms. Crockett was employed by the Xavier Charter School ("School") for the 2018-2019 school year as a math teacher.

5. On or around May 6, 2019, a contract for the 2019-2020 school year was printed and provided to Ms. Crockett.

6. Ms. Crockett subsequently signed the contract and returned it to the Head of Schools on or before May 30, 2019.

determining whether Ms. Crockett's certificate should be disciplined and, if so, what discipline should be imposed.

3. That after a hearing, the waiver of a hearing, or Ms. Crockett's failure to file an Answer to this Administrative Complaint, the hearing panel issue findings of fact and conclusions of law finding the violations of law alleged herein;
4. Any other relief that would be just under the circumstances.


DATED this 12 day of December, 2019.


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Chief Certification Officer

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 17th day of December, 2019, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing by the following method to:

Karolyn Crockett


- U.S. Mail
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