

## Executive Summary: Policy 326 Workplace Conduct (new) and Policy 154 Workplace Violence (deletion)

Date: September 2, 2020

**Sponsor:** Linda Makin

**Steward:** Marilyn Meyer, Jeremy Knee

**Policy Process:** Temporary Emergency and Regular

**Policy Action:** Revision

UPDATED December 21, 2021: We request that Policy 326 Workplace Conduct (Temporary) be extended an additional 6 months to June 2021.

UPDATED December 10, 2020: Policy Number and title changed from 154 *Workplace Violence* to 326 *Workplace Conduct*. Policy 154 to now be deleted.

## Issues/Concerns (including fiscal, legal, and compliance impact):

The *Utah Public Employees Healthy Workplace Act* (Utah Code § 67-26-203) prohibits employees of higher education from engaging in "abusive conduct" against another employee. The Act was enacted in 2020 to require each public institution of higher education to implement a policy prohibiting, reporting, and resolving abusive conduct within the higher education institution. The Act stipulates January 1 as the deadline by which institutions must have a policy in place. This temporary emergency policy proposal satisfies that requirement.

**Suggested Changes:** Revise Policy 154 to prohibit "abusive conduct" as defined in the Act, and to create a procedure for employees to report and the appropriate unit to resolve complaints of abusive conduct.

Requested Approval from President's Council: Temporary Emergency, Stage 2; Regular, Stage 1

**Proposed Drafting Committee:** Alan Drage, Jason Dupree, Kat Brown, [Faculty Senate Representative], [PACE Representative].

**Target Date for Stage 1 Draft to Enter Stage 2:** Click here to enter a date.

**Target Date for Board of Trustees Review:** Click here to enter a date.



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