Policy Committee Recommendation

Amend Policy 1.10 as follows:

- 1. Faculty members, graduate students, administrators and staff are prohibited from engaging in any amorous or sexual relationship with any student or employee under 18 years of age. (We may already have policies covering this issue).
- 2. Faculty members, graduate students, administrators and staff are prohibited from engaging in amorous or sexual relationships with any student or employee under that individual's authority. Situations of authority include, but are not limited to: teaching; formal mentoring or advising; supervision of research; employment of a student as a research or teaching assistant; exercising substantial responsibility for grades, honors, or degrees; and involvement in disciplinary action related to the student.
- 3. The University strongly discourages amorous or sexual relations between all employees and students. Such relationships, even when consensual, may be exploitive, and imperil the integrity of the educational process or work environment...The University requires disclosure if such a relationship exists and the resolution of any conflict of interest created by these relationships. (FIU's language for the most part)

Issues that still need to be discussed: 1) Faculty Senate Policy committee may only be able to recommend policy regarding faculty not staff; 2) disclosure requirements and 3) discipline for violation. These may be flushed out in further discussion with General Counsel and Liz Ruben-Chief Compliance Officer.

Tori located University documents concerning inappropriate behavior with minors (18 or less). Policy 7.6 concerns child abuse. A child generally is defined as those under the age of 18 in the policy. https://www.fau.edu/policies/files/7.6%20Reporting%20Child%20Abuse.pdf

There are also existing policies on consensual relationships and the employments of relatives: https://www.fau.edu/policies/files/1.10%20Consensual%20Relations.pdfhttps://www.fau.edu/policies/files/7.1%20Employment%20of%20Relatives.pdf