I. POLICY and PROCEDURE:

A. The Kentucky Parole Board shall encourage and cooperate with valid research projects.

B. Research assists the Parole Board in establishing goals, objectives, and plans for the future and may contribute to more efficient and effective supervision of offenders, conservation of resources, and increased public safety. This research shall be conducted within the following parameters:

1. The Chairperson shall review all research and survey requests for appropriateness and relevance.

2. Board Members shall provide input on the design and questions in research projects.

3. The Parole Board Chairperson shall assure that statistical information is available for the Board Members.

4. Confidentiality and privacy shall be a primary consideration upon review of any research project or survey.

5. Dissemination of research findings shall be subject to the Parole Board policy and shall be approved by the Parole Board Chairperson.