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PUBLIC AND LEGISLATIVE RELATIONS

POLICY and PROCEDURE:

- A. Subject to KRS 197.025, KRS 61.878, and any other applicable limitations on disclosure of information, the Chairperson of the Kentucky Parole Board shall provide accurate information to the following:
 - (1) Public or interested persons who have requested information;
 - (2) Other agencies of the Criminal Justice System;
 - (3) Legislators;
 - (4) Victims Information and Notification Everyday (VINE) via Department of Correction victim's advocates;
 - (5) Other Kentucky agencies; and
 - (6) Research organizations and universities.
- B. Subject to the Kentucky Open Records Law, Open Meetings Law and other applicable statutes and regulations pertaining to confidentiality issues, the Kentucky Parole Board shall strive for transparency of operations.
- C. The Parole Board Chairperson shall maintain information and the mission statement on the Kentucky Parole Board website. (https://justice.ky.gov/Boards-Commissions/paroleboard/Pages/default.aspx).
- D. The Parole Board shall annually produce a Parole Board Report including information on the following:
 - (1) Parole releases;
 - (2) Discharges;

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- (3) Revocations;
- (4) Issues;
- (5) Plans;
- (6) Priorities;
- (7) Mission statement, philosophy, goals and core values; and
- (8) Any additional information deemed necessary.
- E. The Parole Board shall be proactive in informing the public and the media of events within the Board's scope of responsibility.
- F. The Parole Board Chairperson shall issue any emergency and non-emergency communications regarding Board decisions and actions.
 - (1) If the request concerns a facility, the media or public shall be referred to the appropriate personnel at the facility.
 - (2) Parole Board members shall refer all requests from the media to the Chairperson.
 - (3) The Parole Board members shall adhere to this policy.
- G. The Parole Board Chairperson or designee shall serve as the Parole Board's liaison with the Kentucky Legislature and pertinent Legislative Committees. The Parole Board Chairperson or designee shall provide information, opinions, and advice to the appropriate Legislative Committees upon request.