

## Policy Committee Defined

*submitted by Carol V. for 8/5/2016 Policy Meeting*

The Policy Committee is composed of all Area 61's officers, all active Past Delegates, and the Alateen Coordinator. The Chairperson calls a Policy Committee meeting when one is needed. The Policy Committee decides and brings recommendations to the AWSC on issues or projects that involve Area 61 policy, public relations, or the Traditions, as these may arise. The Policy Committee is often asked to help when there is confusion about how a specific Tradition applies to a new or controversial situation in Area Al-Anon or Alateen. It may consider any issues or projects submitted by any Al-Anon member, reconsider a decision already made if any part of the fellowship dissents, and also reports minority views. The Policy Committee may in their discussions help the chairperson to set agendas. In an emergency, when immediate action is necessary, its decision is binding so far as that particular incident is concerned. But this decision does not necessarily become part of the overall policy, unless approved by the Assembly members. If wording or intent of Area policies are to be changed, it is done at the Assemblies.