

## Workshop on KBDM: Problems Requiring KBDM to Reach an Informed Group Conscience

- 1) Three past Delegates approach the AWSC. They want to write a book of stories from Area Al-Anon members as a fundraiser for the Area. They have asked for a Thought Force to be created to see if this is okay. The Area Chairperson has complied with their request. You are the members of that Thought Force. Briefly answer the KBDM questions based on the information you have gathered. What steps or strategies would you suggest to help the Area reach a group conscience?
- 2) Holly, our Area Public Outreach Coordinator, has written an article in the local newspaper about her being raised by an alcoholic mother. Although the article explains the wonderful benefits of the Al-Anon program, it also was signed by Holly with her full name. The District Representative from Holly's district has brought the article to the AWSC and wants the Area Chairperson to remove Holly as a Coordinator. Briefly answer the KBDM questions based on the information you have gathered. What steps or strategies would you suggest to help the Area reach a group conscience?
- 3) Our local treatment center allows district 2 to use a room in its facility for District meetings rent free provided that once a month volunteer Al-Anon members show up at Family Day and share their experience, strength, and hope. Our DR explains that this is not against our Tradition of being self-supporting because we are trading services for services. Some of our GRs are insisting on having a Thought Force to see if they are breaking any Traditions. Briefly answer the KBDM questions based on the information you have gathered. What next steps or strategies would you suggest to help the district reach a group conscience?
- 4) An announcement is being circulated in a middle school where an Alateen meeting recently started. Listed under "those involved" are the school counselor and a psychologist. It is stated on the announcement that the group will be led by two Sponsors, a volunteer from Al-Anon and a counselor or psychologist from the middle school. The Sponsor insists that this is the only way they could get a meeting into the school. Is a public statement such as this acceptable? Does it imply affiliation? Briefly answer the KBDM questions based on the information you have gathered. What steps or strategies would you suggest to help the district reach a group conscience?
- 5) A local group voted by group conscience to have CDs with music and songs play quietly in the background during meeting time. At our AWSC meeting, it was said that this should be considered outside publications and not part of Al-Anon. Isn't this really part of group autonomy? The chairperson decided to form a Thought Force to figure it out. You are the members of that Thought Force. Briefly answer the KBDM questions based on the information you have gathered. What steps or strategies would you suggest to help the Area reach a group conscience?