# Ethics

January Club and Organization Training

#### "Ethics"

- What are they?
- Many definitions...
- Shaw and Barry (1989)\*

The "social rules that govern and limit our conduct, especially the ultimate rules concerning right and wrong [emphasis added]" (pp. 2-3).

<sup>\*</sup> As cited in Komives, Lucas, & McMahon (2007).

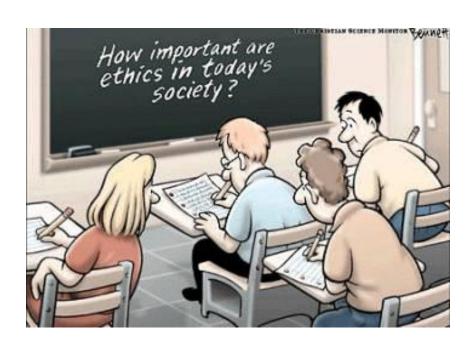
#### What's this "social" bit all about?

- Etiquette
  - How does it differ based on where you are?



- Who makes those rules?
  - No one and everyone
- Similar to Ethics

### Why are ethics important?



#### This all sounds a whole lot like morals...

- Related
- Morals = individual-basedEthics = system (socially)-based
- Sometimes they clash

#### **Ethical Dilemmas**

- Small Groups
- Work out these ethical dilemmas
- Consider the following...

### Five Ethical Principles in Decision Making

1. Respecting Autonomy

People have their own freedom and set of values they live by

2. Do No Harm

No physical or psychological harm

3. Benefitting Others

Group interests over personal gain

4. Justice

Treat everyone equally and fairly

5. Fidelity

Loyalty to your group. Trust is essential in relationships and leadership

## Questions?

#### Announcements

- Emerging Leaders Program
- Registration Packets are due on Friday
- Questions about tabling?

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