



## Group Decision Tip

*E-mailed every two weeks to help groups make good decisions*

### Outside Influence

**In principle**, if we want things to be different we have to see or do things differently. If a group of people are seemingly unable to solve a problem among themselves, perhaps they don't have the wherewithal among themselves. If a group seems stuck in its ways— unenthusiastic, mediocre—perhaps it's time for some outside influence.

Outside influences can jar things loose, knock things off track, light motivational fires; exactly what might be needed.

**Practical Tip:** Always bring new influences into your group: outside speakers, visitors, new information. Seek out those with special expertise and relevant experiences. Do not be threatened by outside influences; welcome them.

Outside influences can help you confirm that you are on the right track or inspire you towards a new track. Both are good.

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