Book Club Discussion Guide for Bad Policy

Are there situations or characters you can identify with? If so, how?

How did the characters evolve throughout the story? What triggered the changes? How do you think you would have reacted to those triggers?

If you could spend a day with any one character, whom would you choose and why?

In what ways did Bad Policy reveal the author's worldview?

What theme(s) did the author emphasize?

Do you think the relationship between Seamus and his son is healthy? Why or why not?

Any of the crimes in Bad Policy are financial in nature. Have you reconsidered your family's financial security based on the shenanigans described in the book?

Did any part of the book make you uncomfortable? If so, why did you feel that way? Did this lead to a new understanding or awareness of some aspect of your life you might not have thought about before?

Any of the characters broke the law for what they perceived to be the greater good? Is it always justified? Never justified? Or sometimes justified – and if so, which of the law breaches do you think were justified and why?

If you could change one thing about the book, what would it be?