

Tuesday 9/18/2017
6pm

Western Finger Lakes Informational Session Notes

Meetings in attendance-

- Canandaigua, Tuesday Night- Basic Text Study Group
- Geneva, Monday Night- Up From the Ashes
- Newark, Thursday Night- Steps to Life
- Clifton Springs, Monday Night- Step Up and Be Free
- Geneva Wednesday Night- More Gratitude, Less Attitude
- Hornell- Road to Recovery
- Bath, Saturday Night- Saturday Night Live
- Geneva, Sunday Night- Unity and Beyond
- Canandaigua Thursday Night- Living Clean
- Naples, Saturday Night- Just for Today

Vote on the referendum to form a new area, The Western Finger Lakes Area of Narcotics Anonymous was voted on 6 for, 3 undecided, 0 no's.

My apologies on getting these out to everyone so late with one day to spare before our next area meeting. I've had a ton of personal stuff go on and between traveling for work, my father being ill and my wife's 40th birthday it's been pretty crazy!

Question raised on from a member was "How will it be different?" The responses included- "there will be some order and discussion." It was also said everyone involved much have some familiarity with [A Guide to Local Services](#) and we will model the area after the ideas and concepts outlined there. In the next few area meetings will create a draft of our area's guidelines. One member suggesting using [Trello](#) a project management app you can download for free onto your smartphone (or click on the link above to create a free account) and then you can be invited to review and edit the project along with everyone else connected.

We also discussed possibly rotating service positions on a 3 month basis regarding some or all of the area service positions instead of a one year period. The key is to focus on the [A Guide to Local Services](#) where it talks about no big I's or little you's. Anyone is welcome to come and participate. Minnesota was cited as an example, their area service body doesn't have positions in the tradition sense they task things out and that person is accountable for that task.

WFLANA will attempt to have subcommittees not to have separate meetings on other days or times but take place at area to keep other members involved and abreast of what's happening at that committee. The need for a bank account was also discussed and will be touched upon further at tomorrow's meeting. We also talked about the idea of using technology like Skype to make participating at the area level to conduct business more accessible for members who might not be able to always physically be there. More will be discussed on this.

Thanks,
Mike C.
Secretary "ad litem"