

MEMORANDUM

TO: CEO ARLENE DOBISON, and WILLIAM HOLT, BOARD CHAIR.

RE: FOR THIELE'S CORNER ON WEBSITE, OR, OTHER NOTICE TO BD.;
FLA. SUNSHINE LAW DURING COVID-19 EMRGENCY MEASURES.

DATE: 4/20/20

Florida's Governor requested and obtained an Advisory Opinion of the Florida Attorney General (AG) about the applicability of the Sunshine Law during these emergency conditions. ALPI's Board is annually provided information and documentation of the applicability and requirements of the Sunshine Law in the Jan.-Feb. orientation/training sessions.

The AG's guidance is that the Law still applies. Therefore, ALPI must continue to publicize its meetings as before, and the meetings are still public. Note that the Bylaws require 15 days' notice to local media, which has been provided for the upcoming April Board Meeting. The AG further stated that the meeting must be accessible via electronic means and the notice to the public must include that information.

So, we must all govern ourselves accordingly.

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