

ARTICLE VIII

DIRECTORS MEETINGS

Section 1. Directors Annual Meetings. The annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held immediately following the Annual Meeting of the Members or at the discretion of the Board of Directors with ample notice given to each member. Any one or more of the following are acceptable forms of written notifications: email, website notices and USPS mail.

Section 2. Notice Not less than twenty-one (21) days written notice of such annual meeting shall be given to each Member.

Section 3. Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at such time and at such place and hour as may be fixed from time to time by a majority of the Board. Should said meeting fall upon a legal holiday, then that meeting shall be held at the same time on the next business day which is not a legal holiday. Written Notice shall be not less than 48 hours.

Section 4. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held when called by any officer of the Association or by any two (2) Directors after not less than 48 hours notice to each Director.

Section 5. Waiver of Notice. A Director may waive notice of a meeting of the Directors before or after the date and time stated in the notice. Except as otherwise provided in this Section 4, the waiver must be in writing, signed by the Director entitled to the notice and filed with the minutes or corporate records. Attendance of a Director at any meeting shall constitute waiver of notice of such meeting, except where the Director attends for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened and does not thereafter vote for or assent to action taken at the meeting. If a meeting other wise valid of the Board of Directors is held without notice where such is required, any action taken at such meeting shall be deemed ratified by a Director who did not attend, unless after learning of the action taken and of the impropriety of the meeting, the makes prompt objection thereto. Objection by a Director shall be effective only if written objection to the holding of the meeting or to any specific action so taken is filed with the Secretary of the Association.

Section 6. Action Upon Written Consent Without a Meeting. Action of the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting upon the written consent signed by all members of the Board. Any such action without a meeting shall be effective on the date the last Board member signs the consent or on such date as is specified in the consent. Any such action by written consent shall have the same effect as a vote taken at a meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 7. Board Quorum and Voting. The Majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum thereof. Every act or decision done or made by a majority of the directors present or attending via electronic communication or telephone at a duly held meeting at which a quorum is present shall be regarded as the act of the Board. Directors may not vote by proxy or by secret ballot at board meetings, except that secret ballots may be used in the election of officers.

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MARKUP #1 · CONFLICTS WITH MANDATORY STATE STATUTE

BOARD & COUNSEL REVIEW

Sec. 6. (p. 7): Governing document purports to authorize the Board of Directors to take official Board action outside of a noticed meeting by written consent signed by the directors, conflicting with the open-meeting sunshine mandate of Fla. Stat. § 720.303(2)(a)-(b).

Statutory / Legal Reference: Fla. Stat. § 720.303(2)(a)-(b)

Statutory Comparison: While general nonprofit corporations under Fla. Stat. § 617.0821 may act by unanimous written consent unless prohibited, Fla. Stat. § 720.303(2)(a)-(b) overrides general corporate law for Florida community associations by requiring that all Board meetings be open to all members with at least 48 hours' posted notice and owner right to speak on all agenda items. Taking formal Board action by written consent in the absence of a noticed meeting deprives owners of their statutory right to attend and speak prior to Board votes.

CURRENT WORDING IN DOCUMENT:

Action Upon Written Consent Without a Meeting. Action of the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting upon the written consent signed by all members of the Board. Any such action without a meeting shall be effective on the date the last Board member signs the consent or on such date as is specified in the consent. Any such action by written consent shall have the same effect as a vote taken at a meeting of the Board of Directors.

SAMPLE DISCUSSION WORDING (FOR HOA ATTORNEY REVIEW):

Notwithstanding Fla. Stat. § 617.0821, pursuant to Fla. Stat. § 720.303(2)(a)-(b), all official actions and votes of the Board of Directors (other than emergency actions authorized by statute) shall be taken only at a duly noticed meeting of the Board open to all Members at which Members have the right to attend and speak on designated agenda items.

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