

Virginia Key Beach Park Trust

Nature & Environment Committee

Talking Points for January 8, 2007 Board Meeting

The Nature and Environment committee met December 18, 2007 - 6:58pm

The Nature and Environment committee meets jointly with the Planning and construction committee on a quarterly basis. Following the Planning and Construction portion of the meeting the Nature and Environment committee's discussion centered on reprogramming Safe Neighborhood Parks (SNP) funds from Planning and construction of a future nature center of Historic Virginia Key Beach Park to planning for the nature center and selective exotic vegetation removal (discussed in the Audit/Budget Committee Report).

The committee discussed the new volunteer participation partnership with Hands on Miami. Through the Hands on Miami Flexible Program the Trust will benefit from monthly volunteer teams to assist Trust staff with exotic vegetation removal, grounds keeping, beach cleanup, potting seedlings and plants, and native plant installation.

Upcoming events:

(Tentative) Saturday, January 13, 2007, 9am – 12 noon, Hands on Miami, MLK Project – Beach Clean up and exotic vegetation removal at HVKBP.

Saturday, January 27, 2007, 10am – 11am, Hands on Miami, Flexible Program – History and Tour of HVKBP

Saturday, February, 24, 2007, 10am – 1230pm, Hands on Miami, kick-off, Beach Clean-up, potting plants and exotic vegetation removal at HVKBP.