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## **Galveston Park Board Update: November 14, 2012**

The Galveston Park Board of Trustees held its regularly scheduled meeting at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday November 12 at Park Board Plaza. Below is an update of news from the board room.

### **Update: Dellanera Park Dune Restoration Project**

Tuesday, The Galveston Park Board of Trustees approved an interlocal agreement between the board, the City of Galveston and Seascape Condos for the Dellanera RV Park Dune Restoration Project. The agreement transferred all responsibility for the local coordination of the project to the Galveston Park Board. At its next meeting Nov. 27, the Park Board will seek to approve a project collaboration agreement with the Texas General Land Office. If approved, the project would go out for bids in January 2013. The Dellanera RV Park Dune Restoration Project is scheduled to begin next spring, and will include dune construction and beach nourishment upgrades from the end of the Seawall to the western part of Dellanera.

### **Sponsorship for Sargassum Modeling Project**

Tuesday, the Galveston Park Board of Trustees unanimously approved to provide a \$7500 sponsorship for Texas A&M University at Galveston's Sargassum Early Advisory System (SEAS). The sponsorship, which will be matched by the university, will continue to help the school research and develop its SEAS program that was designed to predict seaweed influxes before they hit land. The SEAS tool was first introduced in Galveston this spring and was 90 percent accurate in its predictions. Park Board Chairman Craig Brown said the system is beneficial to the board because it allows its beach maintenance team to better prepare staff and equipment for seaweed influxes that could affect tourism.

### **About the Park Board of Trustees**

The Park Board of Trustees oversees beach maintenance and tourism development on Galveston Island, including operations for beach cleaning, the Galveston Island Beach Patrol and the Galveston Island Convention & Visitors Bureau. For more information on the Park Board of Trustees, please visit [www.galvestonparkboard.org](http://www.galvestonparkboard.org).

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