

Heritage Trust Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Conference Call

Thursday, June 26, 2025 – 11:00am

Members Present

Campbell Coxe, Chairman
Kevin Hunter
Rob Keck
Dr. Julia Krebs
Brad Sauls (for Dr. Eric Emerson)
Harry Lightsey
Clark Thompson (for Harry Lightsey)
Scott Phillips
Tom Patton (for Scott Phillips)
Ken Rentiers
Daniel Gambrell (for Duane Parrish)
Will Dillman (for Dr. Thomas S. Mullikin)

Others Present

Allison Morris
Ken Prosser
Fran Varacalli
Lorianne Riggins
Susan Porter

Call to Order

Chairman Campbell Coxe called the meeting to order and provided the Freedom of Information Statement.

Welcome and Introduction

Chairman Coxe gave a welcome to the Board and everyone attending.

Roll Call of Attendance

Allison Morris gave a roll call of attendance and requested that any members of the public or the media identify themselves. None did so. Ms. Morris confirmed the meeting had reached quorum.

Potential Conflict of Interest Statement

Chairman Coxe read the “Potential Conflict of Interest Statement”. No Statement was made.

Motion to Enter Executive Session

Mr. Rob Keck made a motion that the Board go into Executive Session pursuant to S.C. Code Section 30-4-70(A)(2) to discuss a property acquisition related to Action Item A and a proposed license agreement related to Action Item B. Dr. Julia Krebs seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion to Close Executive Session

Dr. Julia Krebs made a motion that the Board return to open session, and that the record reflect that no action was taken in Executive Session. Mr. Julien Springs seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion on Action Items

A) Property Acquisition Project: Final approval to purchase approximately 2,584 acres, Florence County (Woodbury HP-WMA Land Acquisition, River Forks):

Dr. Julia Krebs moved that the Heritage Trust Advisory Board, upon the recommendation from SCDNR staff and the Director, recommend that the SCDNR Board grant final approval to acquire approximately 2,584 acres in Florence County that would be dedicated as a Heritage Preserve and placed into the Corpus of the Heritage Trust Program. Mr. Rob Keck seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

B) Proposed License Agreement to the Mathison Family Trust for Ingress and Egress over Frank P. Henderson Heritage Preserve in Aiken County:

Dr. Julia Krebs moved the Heritage Trust Advisory Board, upon the recommendation of SCDNR staff and the Director, approve the license agreement granting the Mathison Family Trust legal access to the Mathison Family Property over Henderson Heritage Preserve in Aiken County for a five year term with the option to extend the license an additional five years. Mr. Julien Springs seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Other Items

The next meeting of the Heritage Trust Advisory Board was noted as August 14th, 2025. The location of the next meeting will be determined at a later date.

Adjournment

Having no further business to discuss, Chairman Campbell Coxe moved that this meeting of the Heritage Trust Advisory Board be adjourned. Mr. Clarke Thompson seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Allison Morris

Heritage Trust Advisory Board Administrative Assistant

Land, Water and Conservation Division

S.C. Department of Natural Resources