

SOUTH CAROLINA HERITAGE TRUST ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

AGENDA

August 20, 1974

- I. Meeting Schedule
- II. Santee Gun Club Property
- III. Progress Report
  - A. Slide Show
  - B. Site Identification
  - C. Field Inventory
  - D. Information System
  - E. Legislation
- IV. Regional Advisory Committees
- V. Historical Sites
- VI. Endangered Specie Workshop
- VII. Other Business

## MINUTES

MEETING: S. C. Heritage Trust Program  
PLACE: Bankers Trust Tower  
TIME: 10:00 A.M., August 20, 1974  
PRESENT: Mr. Joe Hudson, Chairman

Rep. Sam Manning  
Mr. Felix Walker  
Dr. Charles Lee  
Mrs. I. D. Elmore, Jr.  
Dr. Gibbes Patton  
Mr. Walter T. Ahearn (State Forestry)  
Mr. John Culler  
Mr. Bob Powell  
Mr. Tom Kohlsaas  
Mr. Larry Cartee  
Mr. Ken Stansell  
Dr. James Timmerman, Jr.  
Dr. Eugene A. Laurent

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hudson.

The first item on the agenda was the meeting schedule. It was suggested by Mr. Hudson that the meetings be held the third Thursday every other month. Mr. Hudson also suggested that the meetings begin at 2:00 or 2:30 p.m. Dr. Lee felt that the 2:00 p.m. starting time would be more convenient. There being no objections the time was set for 2:00 p.m. Notices of the Advisory Meetings will continue to be sent with the Agenda, but it was suggested by Mr. Hudson that each member make a note of meeting dates on their calendars. Following this schedule, the next meeting of the Heritage Trust Advisory Board will be on October 17 at 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Hudson discussed the Santee Club acquisition to bring members up to date as to the progress that had been made. Mr. Hudson indicated that the negotiations on the property were in the final phases. However, the transfer of the property to the State will be delayed until the Regional Office of the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation in Atlanta issues a "waiver of retroactivity" regarding the non-cash match value of the donation. The Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department is assisting the staff in developing a BOR application.

A general discussion of the need to publicize the program brought several comments regarding television spots and news releases. Dr. Timmerman said that he would call a meeting of the Heritage Trust staff and the Wildlife Department's information staff to develop a regular public information program.

The next item on the Agenda was the staff progress report. Mr. Kohlsaat reported that a slide show had been developed and was being used in various meetings around the state. Copies of the slide show were being made. The slide show and a script will be available for committee members' use if they would like to put on a program. We hope to reach as many people as possible with the slide show. Mr. Kohlsaat requested that committee members advise the staff of any groups in their area that should be contacted regarding the slide show.

The staff also reported on site identification procedures and the field inventory. It was reported that over 225 sites had been identified. Most of the information gathered to date has come from previous work such as Corps of Engineer studies, Masters and Ph.D theses, and similar sources. In addition, a careful study of topographical maps has provided preliminary indications of areas which should be surveyed. The number of sites identified should grow rapidly as questionnaire forms are distributed to local people around the state. With respect to the field of inventory, a study sponsored by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism and conducted by Dr. Wade Batson should be of considerable help. Although we have not received this information, this should be available in the near future. Also, John Dennis and Dr. Richard Procher have been assisting in the field inventory in addition to the Heritage Staff.

Mr. Kohlsaat said that a list of about 70 rare and endangered non-game animals in South Carolina had been developed. Mr. Kohlsaat reported this was an area where there was a general lack of knowledge and considerable effort was needed. Dr. Laurent reported that Dr. Bruce Ezelle at the Citadel was interested in having the Heritage Trust Program sponsor a workshop on endangered species in the state. A motion was made and passes unanimously to encourage Dr. Ezelle to begin work on such a program.

Mr. Hudson asked Representative Manning to discuss the last session. Representative Manning reported that H3065 which provides for conservation easements and H3066 which provides a tax exemption for property owned by The Nature Conservancy had passed near the end of the last session. He also explained briefly each Act.

The Staff reported on the progress that had been made in establishing regional advisory committees. Dr. Laurent said that two regional meetings had been held -- one in the Low Country Regional Planning District and one in the Pee Dee Region. Dr. Laurent and Mr. Kohlsaat reported that each of the meetings were well attended and those present exhibited considerable interest in the program. At each meeting a number of individuals volunteered to serve as a local advisory group. These individuals can form a core to which other interested persons can be added as they are identified.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.