

MINUTES
Heritage Trust Advisory Board
August 5, 1999
Columbia, SC

Members Present

Terry Ferguson, Chair
Julia Krebs
Jon Leader
Rodger Stroup
Joel Felder
Freddy Vang
Paul Sandifer
Malloy McEachin

Members Absent

Michael Todd Smith
Dick Scott, III
Buddy Jennings
Tony Ganong

Others Present

Tom Kohlsaat
Billy McTeer
Paul League
Dick Houk
Jim Sorrow
Cary Chamblee
Steve Bennett
Stuart Greeter
Johnny Stowe
Ken Prosser
Chris Judge
Ann Nolte
Gil Newberry
Sue Green
Lindsey Pettis
Dale Soblo
Breck Carmichael
Greg Lucas
Jamie Dozier
Jon Rood

Terry Ferguson called the meeting to order and called the roll.

Approval of May 6 Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Minutes of the May 6, 1999 Heritage Trust Advisory Board (HTAB) meeting. The motion was approved.

Tom Kohlsaat recognized the late Sam Manning, a former state representative who was instrumental in establishing the Heritage Trust Act.

Dr. Ferguson introduced new HTAB member Julia Krebs, representing the 6th District. Joel Felder, Dick Houk and Gil Newberry were approved for appointment to the Natural Areas Committee. Freddy Vang was approved as Chair of Natural Areas Committee.

Natural Areas Committee

Freddy Vang reported the committee discussed six items.

1) Lewis Ocean Bay Heritage Preserve Management Plan: A motion was made to approve the plan with an amendment prohibiting the use of ATV's on the preserve. The motion was approved.

2) Tillman Sand Ridge Heritage Preserve Management Plan: A motion was made to approve the plan with an amendment prohibiting the use of ATV's of the preserve. The motion was approved.

3) Deveaux Bank and Crab Bank Heritage Preserve Management Plans: A motion was made to approve the plan. The motion was approved.

4) Fowler Tract: After a presentation by Dr. Gil Newberry, a motion was made to approve the 20-acre tract as a protection project. The property contains the endangered plant species, bunched arrowhead. The motion was approved.

5) Westvaco Sites: After a presentation by Steve Bennett, a motion was made to approve two natural sites for registration. One site contains a Carolina bay and the other protects the state endangered gopher tortoise. The motion was approved.

6) Forty Acre Rock: Jim Sorrow explained the project and a motion was made to approve the 33,000 Flat Creek watershed area as a protection project. The area includes a 140-acre tract beside the preserve. The motion was approved.

Comments from the Director

Dr. Sandifer informed members that Billy McTeer is the new Deputy Director for the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division. He recognized DNR Board member Malloy McEachin, who has been appointed to HTAB. Dr. Sandifer said the new DNR Board had made habitat protection their top priority.

Cultural Areas Committee

Dr. Stroup reported that the committee discussed four items.

1) Morris Island Lighthouse: Since core samples on the structure have not been completed, a motion was made to table this item until the next meeting. The motion was approved.

2) Congaree Creek Management Plan: A motion was made to approve the plan. The motion was approved.

3) Childsbury Towne: After a presentation by Mr. Judge, a motion was made to approve the area as a protection project. The 90-acre site is ranked number seven on the list of 100 most significant cultural sites. The motion was approved.

4) Westvaco Sites: Mr. Judge described two sites he is working to protect through registration and a motion was made to approve them. The first site contains the ruins of the Comingtee house and the second would preserve the Calias Ferry Mile Markers 19, 20 and 21. The motion was approved.

Budget Committee

HTAB entered Executive Session to discuss budget issues. HTAB returned to regular session and voted to approve the Heritage Land Trust Fund budget. Childsbury, Chestnut Ridge and Forty Acre Rock were approved as budget additions.

Other Business

A) Stewardship: Mr. Stowe and Mr. Judge updated members on preserve stewardship activities.

B) HTAB Appointments: Mr. Kohlsaas informed members that he hoped vacancies for the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Districts would be filled by the next meeting.

C) Strategic Plan: Mr. Kohlsaas stated the retreat planned to complete the strategic plan has been postponed until HTAB vacancies are filled.

D) Approval of HTAB Minutes: To speed the approval of the minutes, draft copies will be sent by mail or e-mail to members and they will approve them or submit changes within two weeks.

E) Management Authority Legislation: To enforce regulations on DNR lands, including heritage preserves, Mr. Kohlsaas said a bill had been submitted to the General Assembly to give DNR regulatory authority to promulgate regulations governing activities on DNR properties. The bill passed the Senate this year and will go to the House next year.

Adjourn.

NIAB Approved 9 Aug 99

**Heritage Preserve Management Account
Fiscal 2000
(1 July 1999-30 June 2000)**

1. PERSONNEL SERVICES

	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Salary</u>
A. Classified Personnel		
		\$ 38,000.00
		\$ 14,000.00
		\$ 17,000.00
Subtotal for Classified		\$ 69,000.00
B. Temporary Grant/Temporary Personnel		
		\$ 31,500.00
		\$ 3,000.00
		\$ 25,000.00
		\$ 4,000.00
		\$ 31,500.00
		\$ 31,500.00
		\$ 31,500.00
		\$ 6,000.00
		\$ 2,000.00
		\$ 8,000.00
		\$ 12,000.00
		\$ 20,000.00
		\$ 2,500.00
		\$ 2,200.00
Subtotal for Temp Grant/Temp		\$ 210,700.00
Subtotal for Personnel Services		\$ 279,700.00

2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES

A. Prescribed Burning Services (SC Forestry Commission) (TNC, et al. Contractors)	\$	88,500.00
B. Timber Cruises	\$	5,000.00
C. Heavy Equipment Work	\$	5,000.00
D. Road Maintenance	\$	20,000.00
E. Boundary Marking	\$	5,000.00
F. Monitoring/Biosurveys	\$	16,000.00
G. Invasive Plant Control	\$	8,000.00
H. Wildf. Damage Mgt.	\$	5,000.00

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I. Repair/Maintenance	\$	5,000.00
J. Training/Registration	\$	6,000.00
K. Trash/Graffiti Removal	\$	3,000.00
Subtotal for Contractual Services	\$	166,500.00

3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS

A. Herbicides, sprayers, seedlings, seeds, fertilizer	\$	4,000.00
B. Maps, photos, film, developing	\$	2,000.00
C. Printing and postage	\$	4,000.00
D. Tools	\$	5,000.00
E. Vehicle Supplies	\$	4,500.00
F. Field Supplies	\$	4,000.00
G. Volunteer Supplies	\$	4,000.00
H. Uniforms, boots, field gear	\$	5,500.00
I. Presentation, informational, and office supplies	\$	10,000.00
Subtotal for Supplies	\$	43,000.00

4. FIXED CHARGES

A. Rent	\$	8,000.00
B. Membership Fees	\$	800.00
C. Insurance	\$	3,500.00
D. Cell Phone and email	\$	4,000.00
Subtotal for Fixed Charges	\$	16,300.00

5. TRAVEL

Subtotal for Travel	\$	8,500.00
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6. EQUIPMENT

A. Computers	\$	21,000.00
B. Vehicles	\$	88,000.00

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C. Cameras, access.	\$	5,000.00
D. Chain Saws, Weed Eaters	\$	5,000.00
E. Radios	\$	12,000.00
F. Brushmowers	\$	3,000.00
G. Canoes and accessories	\$	3,000.00
H. Glock Pistol, access.	\$	1,000.00
I. Routers	\$	500.00
J. Boat Trailer, motors	\$	5,000.00
K. Canoe Trailer	\$	3,000.00
L. Office Equipment	\$	4,000.00
M. Shop Equipment	\$	800.00
N. GPS	\$	3,000.00
O. Spotting Scope	\$	1,200.00
P. Binoculars	\$	1,000.00
Subtotal for Equipment	\$	156,500.00
7. <u>GASOLINE</u>		
Subtotal for Gasoline	\$	11,000.00
8. <u>FRINGE</u>		
A. Classified/Temp Grant	\$	63,560.00
B. Temporary	\$	4,743.00
Subtotal for Fringe	\$	68,303.00
9. <u>CONTINGENCY</u>		
Subtotal for Contingency	\$	10,197.00
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	\$	760,000.00

8/14/1999