

MINUTES
HERITAGE TRUST ADVISORY BOARD
MAY 6, 2004
COLUMBIA, S.C.

Members Present

Julia Krebs (Acting Chair)
John Frampton
Mike McShane
Campbell Coxe
Jon Leader
Darryl Jones (for Bob Schowalter)
Rodger Stroup
Sonny King
Mike Foley (for Chad Prosser)
Fritz Hamer (for William Galloway)
Graham Gallivan (for Bob Faith)
Freddy Vang

Members Absent

Henry Fair
Beth Grace

Others Present

Tom Kohlsaat
Stuart Greeter
Chris Judge
Ken Prosser
Steve Bennett
Bert Pittman
Billy McTeer
Kathy Boyle
Ann Darr
Emily Cope
Jamie Dozier
Johnny Stowe
Lindsey Pettus
Mary Crockett
Terry Ferguson
Joey Holleman
Rick Huffman
George Fields
Mike Willis
Julie Duncan

Julia Krebs called the meeting to order and called the roll. She presented former chairman Terry Ferguson with a plaque commemorating his service to the board.

Approval of February 5 Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2004 Heritage Trust Advisory Board (HTAB) meeting. The motion was approved.

Natural Areas Committee

1. Great Falls: Lindsey Pettus gave a presentation on this 4,000-acre site east of Great Falls adjoining the Catawba River. Chris Judge described the archaeological significance of Dearborn Island, located within the project area. The committee as a motion recommended approval of Great Falls and Dearborn Island as a protection project. The motion was approved.

2. **Sassafras Mountain:** Freddy Vang informed members of a potential opportunity to protect a 2-acre site on top of Sassafras Mountain, which is located within the Jocassee Gorges Natural Area in Pickens County. The committee as a motion recommended proceeding with the project. The motion was approved.
3. **Forty Acre Rock Addition:** As a matter of information, Kathy Boyle described a 750-acre tract in Lancaster County that could be a future addition to the department's 1,587-acre Forty Acre Rock Heritage Preserve.
4. **Great Pee Dee:** Bert Pittman presented information on two tracts of land bordering the Great Pee Dee River in Florence and Marion County. He proposed expanding the existing project boundary approved in 2003 to include these tracts. The committee as a motion recommended approval. The motion was approved.

Cultural Areas Committee

1. **Camden Battlefield:** George Fields gave a presentation on this Revolutionary War site in Kershaw County. The committee as a motion recommended approval as a protection project. The motion was approved.

Other Business

1. **Relict Trillium Study:** Julie Duncan described a study of this rare plant species conducted on the department's Savannah River Bluffs Heritage Preserve in Aiken County.
2. **Fish Populations on the Broad River:** Jason Bettinger gave a presentation on aquatic species found in the Broad River.
3. **Heritage Trust Organizational Chart:** Tom Kohlsaas explained the current organizational structure and reported on issues affecting the regional structure.
4. **Stewardship Report:** Johnny Stowe, Jamie Dozier and Ann Darr updated members on preserve management activities.
5. **Nominating Committees:** Dr. Krebs requested Freddy Vang, Rodger Stroup and Sonny King serve on a committee to recommend a new HTAB Chair and Vice-Chair. She asked Campbell Cox to serve as interim Vice-Chair.
6. **Committee Appointments:** Dr. Krebs recommended Beth Grace and Terry Ferguson for appointment to the Cultural Areas Committee and Sonny King, Campbell Coxe and Henry Fair for appointment to the Natural Areas

Committee. A motion was made and seconded to approve the appointments. The motion was approved.

Budget Committee

HTAB entered executive session to discuss contractual matters. They returned to regular session and voted to approve the Heritage Land Trust Fund budget. An addendum to the budget for Altamaha was approved.

Adjourn.