

**Heritage Trust Advisory Board Meeting
November 8 , 1990
University of South Carolina**

Members Present

**Dr. Sid Gauthreaux, Chairman
Mr. Ed Drane
Mr. Bruce Rippeteau
Mr. Dennis Gabriel (for Ed Burgess)
Ms. Wendy Parks
Mr. Hugh Ryan
Dr. George Vogt
Mr. Jim Crawford
Mr. Joe Watson
Mr. John Frampton (for Dr. Timmerman)
Mr. Fritz Hamer**

Members Absent

**Dr. Wade Batson
Mrs. Claudette Cureton
Senator Nell Smith
Mr. Wallace Pate
Mr. Chuck Compton**

Others

**Mr. Stuart Greeter
Mr. Tom Kohlsaas
Mr. Steve Smith
Ms. Mary Edmonds
Ms. Kathy Boyle
Mr. Steve Bennett
Mrs. Charlotte Hope
Mrs. Sally Murphy
Mr. Tom Murphy
Ms. Pris Massenburg
Dr. Bert Pittman
Mr. John Cely
Mr. Greg Lucas
Mr. Glen Oeland
Dr. John Nelson
Dr. David Rembert
Mr. Vinson
Mr. Gould
Mr. Ward
Mr. Jones
Mr. Wes Dillard**

Chairman Gauthreaux introduced Dr. David Rembert, who welcomed the Advisory Board to the University of South Carolina.

A motion was made and approved to accept the August 24 minutes as submitted.

Chairman Gauthreaux introduced and welcomed Hugh Ryan, Forestry Commission, Dennis Gabriel for Ed Burgess, SC Development Board, and new Board member, Jim Crawford.

Chairman Gauthreaux moved the proposed powerline easement to the first item on the agenda.

Proposed Powerline Easement

Chairman Gauthreaux recognized Mr. Wes Dillard of Duke Power Company. He introduced Mr. Ward, Mr. Jones and Mr. Gould who are property owners along Persimmon Ridge Road and have requested electrical service to their property. Mr. Dillard

explained the location of the property and the nature of the electrical service. Duke Power would like to run overhead lines along Persimmon Ridge Road.

Mr. Dillard explained several options for running the lines. Mr. Drane posed a question concerning underground cables. Duke Power representative, Mr. Dillard explained that underground cable would be cost-prohibitive to the property owners requesting electrical service.

After the discussion, Chairman Gauthreaux thanked Mr. Dillard, Mr. Vinson, Mr. Gold, Mr. Ward and Mr. Jones for coming to the meeting. He noted that staff would work with legal counsel to come up with a proposal that the Advisory Board could vote on. A decision would be made at the February meeting.

Chairman Gauthreaux expressed concern about the impact the powerline will have on property values. He suggested the Advisory Board consider all possible issues when rendering a decision. He also noted that this issue will set a precedent for other possible cases.

Mr. Greeter noted that Heritage Trust lacks one property to protect the largest known population of the endangered Mountain Sweet Pitcher Plant. Chairman Gauthreaux reiterated the effect the powerline will have on property values. John Cely noted that by law, power must be supplied to the property owners. Chairman Gauthreaux noted the Advisory Board can recommend an acceptable route for the lines.

Cultural Areas Committee

Ed Drane reported on the survey of archaeological sites in the state. Mr. Drane noted that Chris Judge is on schedule with the site survey.

Mr. Drane also reported on Greens Shell Ring. He noted that some progress has been made. Approval by the Joint Bond Review Committee has been obtained. A purchase agreement between the Town of Hilton Head and the church. The next steps will be to obtain approval from the Budget and Control Board and the South Carolina Wildlife and Marine Resources Commission. Mr. Drane noted that the appraisal has been a difficult issue and that Heritage Trust will be paying more than fair market value. The Joint Bond Review Committee agreed to approve the project at a higher cost. Mr. Drane noted that the project should be completed by the end of the year.

A motion was made and approved to increase the Greens Shell Ring budget from \$85,000 to \$90,000.

Natural Areas Committee

Mr. Joe Watson reported that the Natural Areas Committee meeting was devoted to

Medway Plantation. He noted that the committee approved Medway as a protection project.

Chairman Gauthreaux recognized Tom Kohlsaas, who explained the Medway project. Mr. Kohlsaas noted that the 6800 acre property, located in Goose Creek, has both cultural and natural significance. He also noted it has been held in present ownership since 1930 and has been used basically for conservation purposes. Steve Bennett presented a slide show on Medway Plantation to the Board. A motion was made and passed to approve Medway Plantation as a protection project.

Budget Committee

Mr. Greeter reported he had discussed the budget previously with Senator Smith who could not attend the meeting. Mr. Greeter noted the completed projects to date in 1990. Expenditures for these projects total approximately \$500,000. He also noted the projects that should be completed by the end of 1990 or beginning of 1991. Potential future expenditures were explained to the Board.

A motion was made and approved to accept the budget as presented.

Comments from the Executive Director

John Frampton expressed Dr. Timmerman's regrets for being unable to attend. He also noted that Dr. Timmerman would be pleased that Medway Plantation is now an approved protection project.

Protection Project Update

Mr. Stuart Greeter noted that Linda Lundquist was unable to attend because The Nature Conservancy Board meeting was rescheduled for the same day.

Mr. Greeter reported on the completed acquisition of the Dargan property in Marion County. The newly acquired 887 acre addition increases the total acreage of the preserve to approximately 1600. He also noted that the property will be a tremendous asset to public recreation. Mr. Greeter noted that 5.5 acres have been added to the Savage Bay Heritage Preserve in Kershaw County to provide a buffer around the second Carolina bay. Mr. Greeter also noted that the Bunched Arrowhead Heritage Preserve parking area is now complete. He also pointed out that he and Jim Sorrow conducted a tour of properties in the upstate. Several Greenville County Delegation members attended along with Nature Conservancy Board members. The Bunched Arrowhead Heritage Preserve has just received another 2 acre addition.

Mr. Greeter also explained that The Nature Conservancy and Heritage Trust have agreed to work toward a more cooperative relationship and promote communications between the respective boards. An informal social event for both Boards is being planned for February or March. It was also decided that the minutes from HTAB meetings will be distributed to

TNC board members as well as TNC minutes to Heritage Trust Board members.

Mr. Greeter explained the Battle Creek Trillium Registration Agreement. This property harbors the only population of persistent trillium in the state. A motion was made and approved to accept the registration agreement.

Mr. Greeter explained a new addition and proposal for access to the Tilghman Heritage Preserve on the Little Pee Dee River. Heritage Trust will relinquish one access easement for a better access easement with approval from the Advisory Board and the Wildlife Commission. A motion was made and accepted to approve the trade of access easements.

Strategic Planning Committee Report

Chairman Gauthreaux recognized Mr. Kohlsaas and Mr. Greeter to present the committee's report. Mr. Greeter noted that the initial planning committee undertook the readiness assessment and received a score of 90. Another analysis on driving forces was undertaken and should be considered by the final planning committee. Results from WOTS surveys were discussed. Mr. Greeter noted that only 10 WOTS surveys were turned in. He also noted that mission statements were discussed, revised and simplified.

Tom Kohlsaas solicited the rest of the WOTS surveys and discussed the results. He also discussed other issues that need to be addressed by the Final Committee.

Chairman Gauthreaux discussed the role of the Strategic Planning Committee and recommended a brainstorming session for the February Advisory Board meeting. Chairman Gauthreaux appointed the following people to the Strategic Planning Committee: Ed Drane, Dr. Batson, Mary Edmonds, Steve Smith, Joe Watson, Tom Kohlsaas, Stuart Greeter, Steve Bennett, Sally Murphy, Dr. Gauthreaux (ex-officio) and possibly someone from the SC Development Board. Dennis Gabriel from the SC Development Board tentatively volunteered the use of their meeting facilitators. A meeting of the committee was set for Saturday, January 26, 1991 at a location to be determined.

Other Business

Chairman Gauthreaux advised the Board of the meeting dates for 1991. They are as follows: February 28, May 30, August 15, and November 7. The next meeting will include a trip to Medway Plantation on February 28 and a meeting in Charleston on February 29.

Chairman Gauthreaux noted a tour of the USC Herbarium would be conducted after the meeting.

A motion was made and approved to enter into executive session for a briefing on a contractual matter. The Board returned to open session and without taking further action adjourned.

The next meeting is February 28, 1991.

Heritage Land Trust Fund Budget Summary to July 1991
November 1990

Project Name	County	Expenditure*
1990 Expenditures		
Glassy Mountain	Pickens	111,000
Woods Bay Addition II	Sumter	23,000
Tilghman Addition	Marion	7,000
Bunched Arrowhead Addition (Orr)	Greenville	7,000
Bunched Arrowhead H.P. (Parking)	Greenville	26,000
Savage Bay Addition II	Kershaw	20,000
Dargan Addition II	Marion	279,000
		\$473,000
1990 Commitments		
Bennetts Bay Addition	Clarendon	220,000
Cartwheel Bay Addition	Horry	145,000
Greens Shell Ring**	Beaufort (+5,000)	90,000
Sandhills Bay	Clarendon	159,000
Chandler Addition II**	Greenville	290,000
Saluda County Highponds	Saluda	54,000
Mt. Pleasant Church Bay	Lee	82,000
Waccamaw Bridges**	Horry	270,000
Lewis Ocean Bay Addition	Horry	793,000
Ashe, Beet, Big, Warren, Boler Isl.**	Colleton	68,000
Hazel Lake	Aiken	939,000
Ashmore Addition II**	Greenville	68,000
Windmill Highpond**	Aiken	29,000
Milford Plantation Appraisal**	Sumter	10,000
Little Pee Dee River Addition (Ward)**	Marion	107,000
Little Pee Dee State Park Bay	Marion (+40,000)	120,000
Buzzard Roost H.P. Road Work	Oconee	5,000
Cultural Areas Protection Plan**	Statewide	30,000
Large Areas Planning Grants**	Statewide	30,000
Lewis Ocean Bay H.P. Gates	Horry	4,000
Flat Creek Gates/Road Work	Lancaster	2,000
		\$3,515,000
Reserved Approp. Sav. River Bluff		195,000
Approx. Cash Available January 1991		3,332,000
Anticipated Revenue to July 1991		1,200,000
		\$4,727,000
Projected July 1991 Balance		\$739,000

* All expenditures meet State accounting approvals and standards.

** These projects are expected to be completed in 1990 or early 1991. They total \$992,000.

Approved Expenditures - No Time Frame

Dukes Bay	Hampton	363,000
Long Branch Bay	Barnwell	80,000
Savannah River Bluffs Addition	Aiken	332,000
Branchville Bay	Orangeburg	50,000
Dalzell Bay	Sumter	50,000
Halfway Gut Branch Bay	Dorchester	30,000
Reevesville Bay	Dorchester	20,000
Fish Haul Creek	Beaufort	100,000
York Subdivision	York	30,000
Barton Bay	Allendale	255,000

		\$1,310,000

Heritage Land Trust Fund Projection to July 1, 1991

October 19, 1990 Balance:		3,332,000
Definite Commitments:		
Chandler Addn. II	290,000	
LPD River Addn. II (Ward)	107,000	
Ashmore Addn. II	68,000	
Waccamaw Bridges	270,000	
Ashe, Beet, Boler, etc. Is.	68,000	
Windmill Highpond	29,000	
Green's Shell Ring	90,000	
Facilities and Plans	81,000	
	-----	-1,003,000
Revenues Expected by July 1, 1991:		1,600,000

July 1, 1991 Balance:		3,929,000
Potential Large Projects:		
LPD River Addn. (Vaughn)	750,000	
(3,600 acres)		
LPD River Addn. (GP)*	9,225,000	
(20,546 acres)		
Medway Plantation	500,000	
(6,800 acres)		
	-----	-10,475,000
Additional Funds Needed:		-6,546,000
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* A \$3,929,000 balance will buy 8,731 acres at \$450 per acre.

Heritage Land Trust Fund Budget summary for 1991

2/12/91

Project Name	County	Expenditure
1991 Expenditures		
Ashmore Addition (Padgett)	Greenville	75,000
Milford Plantation Appraisal	Sumter	5,000
Ashe, Beet Islands Appraisal	Beaufort	12,000

		92,000
1991 Commitments		
Bennett's Bay Addition	Clarendon	80,000
Cartwheel Bay Addition	Horry	145,000
Green's Shell Ring	Beaufort	90,000
Sandhills Bay	Clarendon	159,000
Saluda County Highponds	Saluda	54,000
Mt. Pleasant Church Bay	Lee	82,000
Waccamaw Bridges	Horry	270,000
Lewis Ocean Bay Addition	Horry	793,000
Ashe, Beet, Big, Boler Is.	Beaufort	58,000
Hazel Lake	Aiken	939,000
Windmill Highpond	Aiken	29,000
LPD River Addn. (Ward)	Marion	107,000
LPD State Park Bay	Marion	120,000
Tilghman Addition	Marion	7,000
Buzzard Roost H.P. Road Work	Oconee	5,000
Cultural Areas Protection Plan	Statewide	19,000
Large Areas Planning Grants	Statewide	5,000
Flat Creek Gates/Road Work	Lancaster	2,000

	TOTAL	2,964,000
Proposed Additions:		
Savage Bay Addn. (Trivett)	Kershaw	14,000
LPD River Addn. (Vaughn)	Horry	977,000

		991,000
Reserved Approp. Sav. R. Bluffs	195,000	
Approx. Jan. 1991 Cash Balance:	3,405,000	
Anticipated Revenue in 1991	2,280,000	

Total Cash Available in 1991	5,880,000	
Projected Year End Balance:		1,833,000
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Long Branch Bay	Barnwell	80,000
Savannah River Bluffs Addn.	Aiken	332,000
York Subdivision Outcrop	York	30,000
Branchville Bay	Orangeburg	50,000
Dalzell Bay	Sumter	50,000
Halfway Gut Branch Bay	Dorchester	30,000
Reevesville Bay	Dorchester	20,000
Fish Haul Creek	Beaufort	100,000
Barton Bay	Allendale	255,000

		1,310,000

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HLTF BUDGET WORKSHEET

January 1, 1991 Balance: 3,405,000

Expenditures to Date (92,000)

Definite Commitments

LPD River Add'n. II (Ward)	107,000
Waccamaw Bridges	270,000
Ashe, Beet, Boler, etc. Is.	68,000
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Savage Bay Addn. (Trivett)	14,000
Facilities and Plans	31,000

(616,000)

Other Commitments

LPDR State Park Bay	120,000
Glassy Mtn. Addn. (Padget)	95,000
Glassy Mtn. Addn. (Mauldin est)	90,000
Medway Plantation	500,000
Savage Bay Addn. (Peay)	27,000
Black Creek Property	20,000
Sav. Riv. Bluffs (parking)	20,000

(872,000)

Revenues Expected by Dec. 30, 1991 2,280,000

Projected Balance, Dec. 30, 1991 4,105,000

Potential Large Area Projects

Richardson Plantation, 9,000 Ac.	5,000,000
LPD River Addn. (GP)*, 20,546 Ac.	9,300,000
LPD River Addn. (Vaughn), 3,600 Ac.	950,000
GPD River (McCall), 2,800 Ac.	750,000
F. Beidler Forest Addn., 13,500 Ac.	5,000,000

(16,000,000)

Additional Funds Needed: 11,895,000

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	-----	(21,000,000)
Additional Funds Needed:		<u>16,803,000</u>