

CTMB Meeting – September 10, 2008

The Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) of the Newfoundland Club of America Charitable Trust met via teleconference on September 10, 2008. Chair, Clyde E. Dunphy, called the meeting to order at 7:22 p.m., CDT. Members present were Clyde Dunphy, Dave Helming, Janice Hight, Mary L. Price, Mary W. Price, Mary Lou Roberts Mary Jane Spackman and Andy Zinsmeyer. Roger Powell was absent.

Janice Hight moved to approve the minutes of August 6, 2008, as corrected. Andy Zinsmeyer seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman's report:

The first invoice (\$73,897.00) for the Cranial Crutiate Ligament Rupture was received from Morris Animal Foundation and paid. The second and final invoice (\$45,775.00) will be due in January 2009. The total amount of the study is \$119,672.00.

After investigating the request from AKC for sponsorship in the amount of \$2,500.00 for an inaugural one-day cardiovascular disease symposium in October 2008, Clyde recommended that we not participate as a sponsor. It was the consensus that the benefit to the Newfoundland breed would be minimal. It was also recognized that researchers will benefit from this symposium.

Treasurer's report: Mary L. Price presented the Trust's cash balances as of September 6, 2008. Newfoundland Health Challenge: checking account—\$ 2,259.41; savings account—\$30,331.07; invested in CDs—\$76,396.56; Health Challenge total—\$108,987.04. Rescue Fund checking account—\$19,849.75; invested in a CD—\$10,447.12; Rescue total—\$30,296.87. Scholarship checking—\$1,000.00; invested in a CD—\$6,585.29; Scholarship total—\$7,585.29. Trust Management checking—\$5,714.41. Total Charitable Trust—\$152,583.61. Note: Of the NHC balance of \$108,987.04, \$45,775.00 is committed to the CCLR study with an additional \$6,060.00 committed to the DNA Rebate program leaving an available NHC balance of \$57,152.04.

Mary L. submitted the Trust Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008. Clyde moved to approve this report and forward to Trustee. Janice Hight seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Following a discussion concerning payment of the Morris Animal Foundation invoice, Dave Helming moved to transfer the proceeds of the CD (\$43,550.20) at maturity into a four-month CD. Clyde Dunphy seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Janice Hight moved to transfer the proceeds of the Scholarship CD (\$6,585.52) at maturity into a twelve or thirteen month CD at the best available rate. Andy Zinsmeyer seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mary L. Price reported that donations accompanying dues renewals are ahead of the 2007 level. With 90% membership renewal (before reminder notices have been sent to the remaining members) reported, the Newfoundland Health Challenge has received \$4,857.00, which is \$1,082.00 ahead of 2007 and Rescue has received \$6,441.00, which is ahead by \$876.00.

Mary L. Price and Mary W. Price reported that Dr. Warren, chair of the AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF), is still investigating the availability of Matching Funds with the Donor Advised Fund. Mary L. Price, Mary W. Price and Clyde will compose a letter addressing our concerns about the financial history of the Fund and our contributions and the current award system for proposals. It was noted that following the September AKC Delegates Meeting, Mary W. planned to send a letter (copy attached) to Dr. Warren with a copy of Clyde's letter of April 5 and a request for a report on the question of the status of matching funds.

Secretary's report: Mary Jane reported the following activity:

- She contacted Consie Powell to see if she was willing to re-design the web site icon for the Gift Program to reflect the change from his to their. Consie agreed and will have a draft to the CTMB by October 15.
- She contacted Susan Aspeotes to see if she would be willing to send acknowledgements/thank yous for all NHC donations received via the Gift Program on the web. She agreed.
- She sent a status request to Tamzin Rosenwasser, Chair RAC, on the MAF proposed study on Immune-Mediated Hemolytic Anemia and other AKC/CHF proposals.
- She confirmed "press release" of CCLR study in the 3rd-quarter issue of *Newf Tide* with Maredith Reggie.

Old Business: Dave Helming reported that seventy-six *Can't Catch Me* Dannyquest statues have been sold to date. *Can't Catch Me* will be included in the November e-notes to focus on the Christmas audience. Dave will confirm the last order date for Christmas

delivery with Dee Burdick. Dave also reported that Kathy Paxton is reviewing/reconciling the Dannyquest invoice and will submit to Mary L. for payment. The final piece in this series is underway and a pre-order mailing will occur in March accompanied by an order announcement in the March *e-Notes*. Dee Burdick is working with Dave on the concept for the piece

Dave Helming left the meeting at 8:25, CDT.

Andy Zinsmeyer reported on MissionFish. This is a creation of E-Bay and is available to non-profit organizations. A non-profit organization may design a web page link that includes the mission statement of the organization and a gift form. Any on-line gifts are routed through the PayPal account at E-Bay and then forwarded to the organization. In this case, all donations will be forwarded through the trust checking account to Mary L. Price. A question occurred on the transfer security when the gifts are received in the Trust checking account. Mary Lou Roberts will confirm the security of the transfer with Mary Lou Zimmerman who is familiar with the process.

A stipulation for this non-profit page is that it must include a mission statement composed of fewer than forty words. The mission statement of the Trust was modified to meet this requirement. The shortened mission statement will appear as follows on the MissionFish page:

**NEWFOUNDLAND CLUB OF AMERICA CHARITABLE TRUST
MISSION STATEMENT**

To secure donations, to manage and distribute funding in support of research grants studying Newfoundland health issues, to provide monetary aid for Newfoundland rescue, and to award educational scholarships to junior Newfoundland fanciers.

Andy Zinsmeyer also reported that the Gift Web Site will be available for electronic donations by November 1. The program is being implemented in a step-by-step rollout: step one (completed) Establishment of the MissionFish Program; step two placement of a “donate now button” on the NCA Charities website; step three completion of the network for good program.

The next meeting of the CTMB will be at 7:15 CDT on Wednesday, October 1, 2008.

Janice Hight moved to adjourn at 9:35 p.m. CDT. Mary W Price seconded. Motion passed unanimously.