

CTMB Meeting – December 5, 2012

The Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) of the Newfoundland Club of America Charitable Trust met via teleconference on December 5, 2012. Clyde E. Dunphy called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. CST. Members present were Clyde Dunphy, Dave Helming, Mary L. Price, Pat Randall, Mary Jane Spackman and Andy Zinsmeyer. Mary W. Price and Roger Powell were absent. Andy Zinsmeyer moved to approve the minutes of November 8, 2012 as corrected. Dave Helming seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Janice Hight abstained. In addition, Andy Zinsmeyer moved to approve the minutes of October 8, 2012 as corrected. Dave Helming seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Janice Hight abstained.

Tamzin Rosenwasser, chair, Research and Advisory Committee (RAC) joined the meeting at 7:25 p.m. CST to discuss three proposed grants from the AKC Canine Health Foundation approved by RAC.

New Business - Grant 1 - *Regenerative Medicine Approaches to the Treatment of Urinary Incontinence*-from North Carolina State University and Wake Forest University. The study is to be done over 24 months, total cost \$116,000.00. NCSU and WF are centers for the technology to be used in this study, which may be applicable to other cell systems for other conditions as well as this one. The authors will take muscle cells from the affected dog, grow muscle progenitor cells in culture, and inject them into the urethral muscle layer; success will be assessed by urodynamic testing and owner reporting; the dogs will be followed for 24 months to assess the long-term success.

Grant 2 - *Evaluation of a Conditionally Replicative Adenoviral Vector for the Treatment of Canine Osteosarcoma* by Auburn University. This study is to be done over 24 months for a cost of \$100,000.00. "Conditionally replicative" means the virus can be engineered to multiply only in tumor cells. The virus likely stimulates an immune response to the tumor itself, as well as to the virus. Micro-metastatic disease could potentially be treated with this approach, and that could change the standard-of-care for Osteosarcoma. The virus is targeted to osteocalcin, expressed in adult life only rarely in normal cells, but highly expressed in bone cancer cells. Preliminary studies have been accomplished, to establish safety and other parameters.

Grant 3 – *Clinical Advancement of RNA-transfected CD40-B Cell Vaccine Technology for Cancer Therapy* by the University of Pennsylvania. This study is to be done over 24 months for a cost of \$96,100.00. Lymphoma is one of the top 2 cancers identified in the Newfoundland Health survey. Lymphoma is a major problem in dogs; despite therapy, most relapse and die within a year. Investigators have already used vaccine RX; after induction, RX successfully significantly prolonged overall survival. They will enlarge and extend these findings in this study.

The CTMB thanked Tamzin for her insight into these studies. Tamzin left the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Grant 1 - Janice moved to fund from the CHF Donor Advised Fund \$5,000.00 for each year of the study for a total of \$10,000.00. Pat seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Grant 2 - Janice moved to fund from the CHF Donor Advised Fund \$5,000.00 for the first year of the study, the funding for the second year will be dependent on future therapeutic value. Pat seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Grant 3 – Janice moved to fund from the CHF Donor Advised Fund \$5,000.00 for each year of the study for a total of \$10,000.00. Andy seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mary Jane will inform Tamzin of the funding decision on these grants. In addition Mary Jane will request

a hard copy of the Morris Animal Foundation Sponsorship Opportunities will be sent to each member of RAC.

Steven Petsch has resigned as a member of the RAC.

Chairman's report –Andy and I met with the NCA Trustee in Saint Louis on November 18, 2012. Trustee was pleased with preliminary report on the Newfoundland Health Survey data report. The Trustee also approved request to increase the Endowment Fund investment to \$20,000.00 in the Scott Trade Account. Clyde reported that the December issue of e-notes will be dedicated to the Trust.

The Trustee has requested consideration that the Rescue Prevention Committee be transferred to the CTMB in order for them to acquire a tax deduction for their donations. Clyde will request committee descriptions and guidelines from Donna Zink be sent to the CTMB prior to January meeting.

Treasurer's report:Mary L. Price reported the Trust's cash balances as of December 2, 2012.

Newfoundland Health Challenge (NHC): checking account—\$ 33,832.17; invested in CDs—\$51,801.07; Health Challenge total—\$ 85,633.24. Rescue Fund checking account—\$18,088.85; invested in a CD—\$ 15,632.50; Rescue total—\$ 33,721.35. Scholarship invested in a CD—\$ 5,000.00; Trust Checking - \$3,788.21; Scholarship Total- \$8,788.21. Endowment Fund checking— \$7,594.95; Newfoundland Endowment Investment Fund -\$ 16,259.03; Endowment Fund Total \$ 23,853.98. Trust Management Checking - \$ 16,033.65. Total Charitable Trust—\$ 168,030.43. (AKC Canine Health Foundation, Newfoundland Advised Fund - \$70,514.17)

Old Business – The Dogs of the DOW stock value has decreased. However the cash values have increased due to dividends. Mary Jane moved to transfer \$5,000.00 from the Endowment funding checking account over to Scott Trade Endowment Fund Account. Dave Helming seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The CTMB discussed additional revisions for the Rescue Survey and perhaps to prepare a draft from the Monkey Survey or if possible to post on the OFA. Clyde will contact the OFA to see if this is possible. Final approval of the survey will be when the survey is in the correct survey format.

Rescue Report - Mary presented 2 drafts of the Rescue 30th anniversary rescue logo. The consensus was for the moving Newfoundland. Mary will ask artist for minor revisions and then present for approval.

Northland thanked the CTMB for the rescue grants.

An owner of an SAS puppy requiring surgery requested financial aid. Mary will contact the owner for additional information. The SAS/PDA puppy in Rescue will be considered for surgical intervention. Mary Jane moved to fund the PDA surgery at a cost of approximately \$3000.00. Mary seconded. The vote was tabled until Clyde could obtain more information on the SAS in this puppy and send out for a vote.

The next meeting of the CTMB will be at 7:30 CST during the second week of January 2013.

Mary Jane moved to adjourn at 9:28 CST. Andy seconded. Motion passed unanimously.