

NCA Charitable Trust  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President report  
November 4, 2020

The Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) of the Newfoundland Club of America Charitable Trust met via teleconference on Wednesday, November 4, 2020. Clyde E. Dunphy called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm CT. Members present were John Cornell, Mary Lou Cuddy, Clyde Dunphy, Denise Hatakeyama, Lori Littleford, Chris Plum, Roger Powell and Mary L. Price. Mary Jane Spackman was in attendance from 7:34-8:09 pm CT.

**Chairman's Report:** Clyde Dunphy, Chair, thanked everyone for their attendance. He reported that Marylou Zimmerman has received all the information for the next issue of NewfCare: Research and Rescue. The CTMB Chairman's report for the November 8, 2020 Charitable Trust meeting with the Trustee has been forwarded to the Trustee as well as the members of the CTMB. Clyde thanked Mary Lou Cuddy who has agreed to take the minutes of meetings until Mary Jane Spackman returns.

**Secretary's Report:** none

**Approval of Minutes:** Chris Plum moved and John Cornell seconded that the minutes of the October 7, 2020 meeting be approved as presented. The motion passed. 1 Abstention (Lori Littleford)

**Treasurer's Report:** Mary L. Price reported the Trust's cash balance of November 1, 2020:  
Newfoundland Health Challenge (NHC): checking account— \$16,429.60; SAS Research Fundraising- \$10,673.30; Money Market Account--\$66,507.50; MS Brokerage Account-- \$79,044.93; Health Challenge total—\$172,655.33.

Rescue Fund checking account: \$46,741.88; Barrister Fund-\$75.00; Barrister Fund for Seattle NC Rescue area - \$10,000.00 Money Market Account-\$11,389.63; MS Brokerage Account- \$295,861.89; Rescue total—\$364,068.40.

Scholarship Checking: \$4,377.46; MM Account- \$15,130.59; Scholarship Total- \$19,508.05.

Endowment Fund: Morgan Stanley unrestricted: \$26,692.76.

Education Fund: MM account \$10,017.41.

Endowment Fund Unrestricted: MM Acct.- \$1,621.37; Trust Management Checking - \$12,567.51; MM Acct.- \$1,087.92; Trust Management Total- \$13,655.43. Total Charitable Trust—\$608,218.75.

(Newfoundland Health Challenge adjustments; Newfoundland Health Challenge – \$93,610.40; AKC Canine Health Foundation Donor Advised Fund as of 6/30/ 2020- \$21,606.29; \$0 reserved for Grants for total NHC balance of \$115,216.69.

(Scholarship adjustments; Reserve for scholarships - \$9,000.00; Funds available - \$10,508.05 for total Scholarship balance of \$19,508.05)

Mary reported that the Year End report will be presented to the Trustee during its November 8, 2020 meeting.

Mary talked with Danielle Hunt, CPA, the tax accountant, and she will request an extension for filing by this year's tax return.

Mary also reported that the AKC Canine Health Foundation Donor-Advised Fund has improved in regularly updating the CTMB.

The Mary Louise O'Leary/Elizabeth Lewis estate has sent another distribution check in the amount of \$41,700 to NCA Rescue. Mary has been advised that there should be one more check to be sent after the estate files their tax return. To date, NCA Rescue has received \$160,765.00 from the bequest.

The Jan Rundle estate is now in probate. The bequest was not in cash but was Newfoundland jewelry. Mary reported that she will contact Marc Saunders to assist with marketing to collectors or they will be available at the National Specialty. The proceeds will be for the benefit of NCA Rescue.

Mary was contacted by an NCA member wishing to donate Newfoundland memorabilia and Mary directed her to Marc Saunders.

Chris Plum suggested that a short report detailing the O'Leary/Lewis bequest be published in the Trust's Annual Report in hopes of encouraging additional bequests.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Mary reported that the Newfoundlands taken in from a producer in Southern Indiana, including two who were pregnant and have delivered, will be the focus of a report in the next NewfCare: Research and Rescue. Veterinary expenses for these 11 totaled \$19,000 to date. It is hoped the article will spur additional donations to replenish the NCA Rescue Fund.

Mary reported on a request for a Barrister Fund grant from a non-NCA breeder in the Pacific Northwest who had three 12 week old puppies diagnosed with parvo. There was discussion about the Barrister Funds being used by a breeder. Included in the discussion was that the funds would come from the funds from the Seattle Newfoundland Club Rescue group. Chris Plum moved and Roger Powell seconded that the CTMB grant \$1500 from the Seattle Newfoundland Rescue Fund for this request pending additional positive input from the Seattle Newfoundland Club Rescue representative. The motion passed unanimously.

A second request was received from an applicant for assistance with a TPLO procedure on a different dog. There was discussion about the increasing costs of vet care, re-funding the Barrister Fund and the need to consider raising the \$1500 limit for requests from individuals. Chris Plum moved and Clyde Dunphy seconded that the CTMB approve a \$1500 Barrister Fund grant to the veterinary clinic treating this dog for TPLO surgery. The motion passed unanimously.

Several constitutional questions between High Country Newfoundland Club and High Country Newfoundland Rescue were resolved with the assistance of Sue Marino and Mary L Price. NCA Rescue has been reimbursed for funds given to assist in a rescue.

Clyde shared letters from the Colonial Newfoundland Rescue regarding the importation of a rescue Newf from China. There was an extended discussion concerning imports from China coming into the Colonial Newfoundland Rescue program and the possibility of disease/parasites transmission into the US. The Colonial Newfoundland Rescue is a separate 510(c)3 so neither the Colonial Newfoundland Club

nor the NCA Charitable Trust has any policy control. It was suggested that the CTMB develop a policy regarding these kinds of rescues. Lori Littleford moved and Clyde Dunphy seconded that the CTMB place a moratorium on the funding of or the assisting with any rescue of Newfoundlands from foreign countries until action on the US Animal Importation Act and consideration by other regulatory authorities is completed. The motion passed unanimously.

Roger Powell suggested that for clarity in reports whole words be used instead of acronyms. As an example, Morris, instead of MAF. Roger's point was well-taken.

Chris Plum and Mary L Price reported on their compilation of donors into a database. There was discussion of how to list these donors in the Annual Report. It was suggested that the list be divided into tiers based on the size of the donation. All NCA donors are recognized in Newf Tide but a significant portion of the donations come from non-NCA members. Chris will send his proposed model to the CTMB for comments.

Clyde invited CTMB members to listen in to a Morris Animal Foundation teleconference on November 10, 2020 regarding the proposals received in response to the Request for Proposals for a Donor-Inspired Study for Newfoundland Forelimb Anomaly.

Lori Littleford reported that she had sent a Newfoundland Forelimb Anomaly Research proposal from Michigan State to the Research Advisory Committee. The committee will review the materials and will report back to the CTMB. There was some discussion regarding CrowdSource for possible fundraising.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 7:00 pm Central time.

Submitted by,

Mary Lou Cuddy

(for Mary Jane Spackman)