

**NCA Charitable Trust Management Board  
Minutes of December 13, 2021**

The Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) of the Newfoundland Club of America Charitable Trust met via ZOOM™ teleconference on Monday, December 13, 2021.

Clyde E. Dunphy called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm CT. Members present were John Cornell, Mary Lou Cuddy, Clyde Dunphy, Denise Hatakeyama, Lori Littleford, Chris Plum, Roger Powell, Mary L. Price and Mary Jane Spackman.

**Chairperson's Report:** Clyde Dunphy, Chair, reported that he had responded to an NCA member about their concern that the NCA membership list had been compromised and was being used by an unapproved outside vendor. It has been determined that the NCA membership information has not been compromised.

Clyde informed the CTMB that he, Lori Littleford and Mary Jane Spackman attended a ZOOM™ meeting with Morris Animal Foundation regarding the progress of the SAS Donor-Inspired study. The Request for Proposals is being rewritten and is projected to be released in mid-January with a March 2022 deadline.

The proof for the new donor pin has been approved and the order will be placed this week. Plans were being developed for the Donor Receptions at the 2022 National Specialty and an RSVP deadline or a Save-the-Date communication was discussed. It was decided that the a Save-the-Date card would be sent with an invitation with an RSVP being sent closer to the National Specialty.

**Approval of Minutes:** John Cornell moved and Mary Jane Spackman seconded that the minutes of November 1, 2021 be approved as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**Secretary's Report:** Mary Lou Cuddy reported that she had prepared the minutes of November 1, 2021 that were just approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Mary L Price, Treasurer, reported the following balances.

NCA Charitable Trust  
Balance Sheet  
November 30, 2021

Health Challenge		32,622.91
SAS Research		13,670.32
Forelimb Anomaly Research		2,450.45
Rescue Fund		15,430.31
Scholarship Fund		7,934.68
Trust Management		4,155.36
Endowment Fund		
CTMB	1%	6,215.47
Education Grant	2%	12,430.95
Health Challenge	24%	149,171.40
Rescue	59%	366,713.02

Scholarship	3%	18,646.42	
Unrestricted	<u>11%</u>	<u>68,370.22</u>	
	100%	621,547.49	<u>621,547.49</u>
			697,811.52

Mary updated the CTMB on the current balances and the Morgan Stanley accounts. The Morgan Stanley accounts have recovered about \$5000 since December 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Giving Tuesday amounts are not yet available but preliminary figures indicate over \$8000 was raised. As a side note, a Newfoundland Rescue group in Minnesota, not affiliated with the NCA, raised over \$1300 on Giving Tuesday through Mighty Cause and donated the proceeds to NCA Rescue.

The AKC Canine Health Foundation sent a receipt for its Canines and Cocktails ticket that the Trust purchased. Steve Britton will be representing the CTMB and NCA, Inc. at this event.

Mary reported that she had updated the employee matching service with Benevity. And she had prepared the preliminary tax documents and sent them to Danielle Hunt, CPA, the NCA Trust tax preparer.

**NCA Rescue:** Mary reported that \$1210 was donated to Newfoundland Rescue in memory of Paul Prohaska. Windy Reed and Tim Tepatti are continuing to do wonderful work in the Ohio/Michigan area. They recently were able to rescue 6 breeding dogs, one pregnant, from an Amish producer. The pregnant dog is with an experienced foster care provider.

A Michigan shelter received a Newfoundland that needed a liver shunt surgery. With a discount from the surgical center and the shelter picking up the work-up costs, the dog received the surgery and is doing very well. He will be a featured dog for the next *NewfCares: Rescue and Research* newsletter.

Mary mentioned that Windy Reed has had good success in soliciting Chewy.com gift cards as that enables food and supplies to be drop-shipped to foster families.

**Morris Animal Foundation Grant:** There was a discussion of the funds raised by Giving Tuesday for Stolen Heartbeats and how they should be distributed.

Mary Jane Spackman moved and Chris Plum seconded that the CTMB approve the grant of \$31,000 to the Morris Animal Foundation for the study D22CA-040, Investigating a Novel Drug Therapy for Heart Disease (Dr Stern). Morris Animal Foundation will match this grant. The motion passed unanimously.

**Drool Towels for Donors:** It was reported that the Goofy Newfy drool towel vendor has encountered supply and shipping delays. They will be able to supply only 100 of the 150 towels that the CTMB ordered as tokens of appreciation for donors at the 2022 National Specialty. It was agreed that the CTMB should take what they can and the company will cancel the remainder 50 towels.

**Recognizing Online Unaffiliated Groups Donations:** A group, Nuts4Newfs, has raised \$5838 with a calendar fundraiser over the last three years. There was discussion over how to recognize this unaffiliated group. It was agreed that wording would be developed that could be used on social media to recognize these groups' efforts to raise funds for the Trust. This will be revisited at a later meeting.

**OFA Health Survey:** There was a brief discussion on the OFA Health Survey with some minor housekeeping items reviewed. Members were asked to take the survey again and time how long it took to fill out. That information will be used in the introductory statement.

**Research Advisory Committee Recommendations:** There was a discussion regarding the Research Advisory Committee's report on proposed Morris Animal Foundation studies. In a previous action during this meeting, the D22CA-040, Investigating a Novel Drug Therapy for Heart Disease (Dr Stern) study was funded.

After further discussion, Chris Plum moved and Lori Littleford seconded to approve grants of \$5000 for each of two studies: D22CA-845, Rejuvenating Blood Cells for Safer Transfusions (Dr Thomason) and D22CA-814, Investigating a Novel Antimicrobial Strategy for Urinary Tract Infections (Dr Hernandez). The motion passed unanimously.

**2021 Annual Report:** There was a brief update on the Trust's 2021 Annual Report which will be distributed with the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter issue of Newf Tide, approximately March 1, 2022.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 5, 2022 at 7 pm CT.

Submitted by,

Mary Lou Cuddy  
CTMB Secretary