

**NCA Charitable Trust
Minutes of April 7, 2021**

The Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) of the Newfoundland Club of America Charitable Trust met via Zoom© teleconference on Wednesday, April 7, 2021.

Clyde E. Dunphy called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm CT. Members present were John Cornell, Mary Lou Cuddy, Clyde Dunphy, Denise Hatakeyama, Lori Littleford, Roger Powell, Chris Plum, Mary L. Price and Mary Jane Spackman.

Approval of minutes: John Cornell moved and Lori Littleford seconded that the minutes of Thursday, March 11, 2021 be approved as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairperson’s Report: Clyde Dunphy, Chair, reported the Annual Meeting with the Trustee went well. All CTMB members were reappointed as were all the committee chairs. The Trustee approved the CTMB hosting the 2022 Welcome Reception to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Trust. He addressed the NCA membership at the NCA, Inc. Annual Membership Meeting.

The Donor-Inspired Study for Newfoundland Forelimb Anomaly/Congenital Radial Head Luxation at Michigan State has been approved and the \$38,266 in funds were forwarded to Dr Gurkin’s NFLA study. He reported that the Newfoundland Forelimb Anomaly/Congenital Radial Head Luxation fundraiser, *Stand By Me*, had met its goal of \$40,000 with another payment to the fundraiser from PayPal yet to be received.

The 2020 Annual Report turned out well and was distributed via Newf Tide and will be included on the Charitable Trust website and the May NewfCare: Rescue and Research newsletter.

Secretary’s Report: None

Treasurer’s Report:

- Mary L Price, Treasurer, reported the following balances:

NCA Charitable Trust		
Balance Sheet		
March 31, 2021		
Health Challenge		64,062.63
SAS Research		12,873.30
Forelimb Anomoly Research		-578.65
Rescue Fund		51,171.85

Scholarship Fund		19,685.78
Education Grant Fund		10,121.23
Endowment Fund		455,583.70
Trust Management		<u>11,587.63</u>
		624,507.47

Mary reported that the only reserve now is for SAS through the *Stolen Heartbeats* campaign.

The Newfoundland Forelimb Anomaly/Congenital Radial Head Luxation fundraiser raised \$40,200 minus PayPal fees towards the \$40,000 goal and another payment from PayPal will be available soon.

The Amazon Smile program raised \$352.49 in February for a total of \$4038.01. There will be a push to promote the Amazon Smile program in the next issue of NewfCares and online.

NCA Rescue: Mary reported on the letters being sent to the Great Lakes and Penn-Ohio regional clubs regarding South Central's stepping away from covering rescue dogs in their areas. There was a brief discussion regarding the future handling of rescue Newfs from those area.

Mary reported on a Newf in a Texas shelter that was on social media. The shelter is handling the situation to date and has not asked for assistance.

Duties and Responsibilities: Clyde submitted the summary of his Duties and Responsibilities and those of the 1st Vice Chair. It was agreed that the documents were ready to upload to NextCloud. He reminded the Secretary and Treasurer to prepare their summaries. This was at the request of NCA, Inc. to assist with contingency/back up plans if an officer is suddenly unable to continue with their duties.

25th Anniversary: The 25th Anniversary Celebration at the 2022 Welcome Reception was discussed. A committee of Clyde, Chris Plum, Denise Hatakeyama and Mary Jane Spackman was appointed to develop plans for the event.

Election of Officers: By unanimous consent, the following officers were elected:

Clyde Dunphy, Chair
Lori Littleford, Vice Chair
Mary Lou Cuddy, Secretary
Mary L Price, Treasurer

Mary Jane Spackman was thanked for her 25 years as the CTMB Secretary.

Owner Request for NFLA Reimbursement: There was a discussion concerning a request from an owner of a NFLA puppy for payment of the veterinarian bill for the appropriate testing of the afflicted puppy. The owner had not, to date, responded to a request for additional information. It was discussed that unless a special need was stated, the CTMB would not approve this in fears of setting a precedent.

Broader Trust Donor Involvement: Chris Plum commented, in reference to the just-completed election of officers, that longevity in officers is a good thing with the experience and history that each brings to the table. But that the Trust should look to develop broader involvement in the Charitable Trust with the NCA, Inc membership. It was mentioned that perhaps a group that would function as “advisors to CTMB” to bring forward new input and ideas to the CTMB should be developed. It was agreed that this requires further discussion at another meeting.

2022 Welcome Reception: There was a brief discussion about reaching out to Michigan State University to see if they would be interested in having an appearance or a presentation during the 2022 National. Denise will reach out to see if MSU would like to provide a poster or material. Mary Jane will contact Morris and Clyde will reach out to AKC Canine Health Foundation for materials.

AKC Canine Health Foundation Parent Club Conference: There was a reminder that the reservations for the AKC Canine Health Foundation Parent Club Conference are due. Clyde or Lori will represent the Trust and Shauna Bryant, Chair of the NCA Health & Longevity Committee, will represent NCA, Inc.

Purdue Tick-Borne Initiative Study: Mary Jane reported that the Charitable Trust was not listed as a donor to the Tick-Borne Initiative Study at Purdue. Clyde will reach out to the Canine Health Foundation.

By consensus, the next meeting will be Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 7:00 pm Central.

There was a brief discussion regarding the next virtual meeting. Lori Littleford reported that she is happy to continue to set up the ZOOM© meetings using her personal account or the CTMB could try the StartMeeting© that NCA, Inc. uses. By consensus, the CTMB gratefully accepted Lori’s offer.

At 7:56 pm, Lori Littleford moved and Mary Jane Spackman seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously.