

**NCA Charitable Trust Management Board
Minutes of July 20, 2022**

The Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) of the Newfoundland Club of America Charitable Trust met via ZOOM™ teleconference on Wednesday, July 20, 2022.

Clyde E. Dunphy called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm CDT. 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 all his items will appear later on the agenda.

Approval of Minutes: There was a brief discussion regarding the reporting of the Research Advisory Committee appointees.

John Cornell moved and Roger Powell seconded that the minutes of June 8, 2022 be approved as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

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

NCA
Charitable
Trust
Balance
Sheet
July 18, 2022

Health Challenge			68,232.28
SAS Research			17,544.90
Forelimb Anomaly Research			2,700.45
Rescue Fund			15,754.97
Scholarship Fund			9,763.55
Trust Management			10,330.02
Endowment Fund			
	CTMB	0.003%	1,695.02
	Education Grant	2%	10,893.97
	Health Challenge	24%	122,282.29

Rescue	58%	300,314.15	
Scholarship	3%	15,408.78	
Unrestricted	<u>13%</u>	<u>69,333.53</u>	
	100%	519,927.74	<u>519,927.74</u>
			644,253.91

Mary reported that the financial report shows that the amount of cash on hand is building up again. She informed the CTMB of a Morgan Stanley Preferred Savings Program with an interest rate 1.5%. A discussion was held concerning this program, the amount of cash being held and possibly investing it here. Mary will contact Carlyn Hensen of Morgan Stanley to discuss the best way to proceed.

Mary informed everyone of market gains of about \$15,000 in the last few days.

The fundraising accounting from the 2022 National Specialty was reviewed. It was stated that the *ad hoc* group that is reviewing the fundraising policies at national specialties will find these figures to be very helpful. They hope to have a report in early August. There are a few rescue logo items left from the National, along with many drool towels.

Mary reported that Kari Brekke and Janet Cain may do a Xmas ornament fundraiser later in the year.

There was a discussion regarding creating dedicated Stripe™ accounts linked to Health Challenge, NCA Rescue, etc. It would take some work and time to set it up but would clarify for the donor exactly which account they are donating and it would make it easier for the treasurer to track those donations. It was agreed that this needs more discussion at a future meeting.

NCA Rescue: Mary reported there are currently 8 Newfs in North Central’s rescue and 15 in OH/MI. NCA Rescue has been invited to participate in a PhD study regarding rescue.

There was a discussion regarding the National Newfoundland Rescue group. It was reported that several letters of support from regional clubs had been sent to it and there were also regional clubs who had some issues with the group and were awaiting NCA, Inc or Charitable Trust actions. One CTMB member felt that the group’s trademark application does not match the information on their website. Information has been received concerning challenging the issuance of a trademark for the National Newfoundland Rescue group. There was a discussion on the pros and cons. Further discussion was postponed until more information could be developed. It was suggested that a letter be sent to the Connecticut Secretary of State informing them of the issues.

Morris Animal Foundation: Clyde reported that one application for an SAS donor-inspired study grant has been received and is under review.

OFA Health Survey: Clyde reported that the response to the opening of the survey has been very slow. There was a discussion regarding the reasons for the slow start. It was agreed to ask NCA, Inc to allow the CTMB to contact the Technical Resources Committee to ask them to send a reminder and a direct link using Constant Contact and the link will also appear in the next Newf Cares: Research & Rescue newsletter.

Lori Littleford moved and Mary Jane Spackman seconded that the CTMB request NCA, Inc to permit them to ask Marylou Zimmerman to send an e-note using Constant Contact with a direct link to the survey along with a brief statement. The motion passed unanimously.

Research Advisory Committee: Lori Littlefield reported that two people had expressed interest in the committee's openings. She gave a brief recap of their resumes and asked for the CTMB to appoint Bill Cuddy and Sharon Oviatt to the committee.

Mary Jane Spackman moved and Chris Plum seconded to appoint Bill Cuddy and Sharon Oviatt to the Research Advisory Committee. The motion passed unanimously. (1 Abstain, Mary Lou Cuddy)

Cruciate Ligament Study: Lori reported on her discussion with Dr Peter Muir (University of Wisconsin) about his research study with DNA and cruciate ligaments. He would need 25 dogs with cruciate ligament tears and 25 other dogs as a control group. Lori also reported that all the dogs would need standing lateral X-rays which some veterinarians may not be able to do. It was agreed to wait to see if Morris Animal Foundation, the AKC Canine Health Foundation and other sources will come up with funding before the CTMB commits funds to this.

Recruiting non-member donors to join NCA: After a short discussion, it was agreed by unanimous consent to ask NCA, Inc to refer this to the Membership Engagement Committee for exploration and possibly implementation.

Newf Ambassadors and Rescue: It was asked if there was a mechanism where Newf Ambassadors could be informed of Newfoundlands in Rescue. Mary reported that there is an informal channel but this could be brought back up for further discussion.

Adjournment: Mary L Price moved and Mary Jane Spackman seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, August 3, 2022 at 7 pm CT.

Submitted by,

Mary Lou Cuddy
CTMB Secretary