

**NCA Charitable Trust Management Board  
Minutes of October 5, 2022**

The Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) of the Newfoundland Club of America Charitable Trust met via ZOOM™ teleconference on Wednesday, October 5, 2022.

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

**Chairperson’s Report:** Clyde Dunphy, Chair, reported the OFA health survey has 1185 Newfoundlands entered to date. He mentioned that the CTMB should start to look at the results, which should be published in the next Annual Report.

The Chair’s report has been sent to NCA, Inc.’s Recording Secretary, Steve Britton, for inclusion in the agenda packet for Trustee’s face-to-face meeting October 14-16, 2022. He will be attending the meeting.

**Approval of Minutes:** John Cornell moved and Chris Plum seconded that the minutes of September 8, 2022 be approved as amended. The motion passed unanimously. 2 Absent (Hatakeyama, Spackman)

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

	NCA Charitable Trust		
	Balance Sheet		
	September 30, 2022		
Health Challenge			70,122.27
SAS Research			17,908.68
Forelimb Anomaly Research			2,700.45
Rescue Fund			17,800.31
Scholarship Fund			6,933.55
Trust Management			12,816.25

Endowment Fund			
CTMB	0.3%	1,650.06	
Education Grant	2.2%	10,625.54	
Health Challenge	24.4%	118,566.96	
Rescue	56.0%	271,800.96	
Scholarship	3.1%	14,944.78	
Unrestricted	<u>13.9%</u>	<u>67,495.68</u>	
	100.0%	485,083.98	<u>485,083.98</u>
			613,365.49

Mary also shared a report regarding the updated Junior Scholarship fund and its recipients.

**NCA Rescue:** Mary reported that Rescue groups are still very busy with dogs obtained during the COVID-19 pandemic and are now being turned in to rescue. Kari Brekke has returned the grant provided to her for the drool towel fundraiser. She also turned over the extra towels to the Trust for its use.

The Minnesota Rescue Group has a puppy that has a heart issue and is scheduled for surgery within days. There is a fundraiser running on Mighty Cause that has raised to date, \$2745, towards the goal of \$10,000. Mary reported that of the 41 donors, 6 are NCA members.

It has been suggested that a rescue dog that had had an ear ablation be featured in *Newf Tide*.

Susan Kerby had informed Mary that there may be some dogs coming in to Rescue from an Amish producer in northeast Indiana.

**Barrister Grant:** Clyde and Mary had reviewed a Barrister grant application. The Newf needs bilateral TPLOs but had had a juvenile pelvic osteotomy and also has an unspecified heart murmur. A decision will be delayed until more information is received. There was a short discussion that if this dog has SAS, could it be included in the UC Davis SAS research project.

**National Newfoundland Rescue:** After discussion, Lori Littleford moved and Roger Powell seconded to send the approved objection statement concerning the National Newfoundland Rescue trademark application to the US Patent and Trademark Office. The motion passed unanimously. 2 Absent (Hatakeyama, Spackman)

**National Specialty Fundraising Report:** Chris Plum was thanked for writing the subcommittee's report. Lori Littleford moved and John Cornell seconded to accept the sub-committee's report on fundraising at national specialties and to send it to the Trustee for approval. The motion passed unanimously. 2 Absent (Hatakeyama, Spackman)

**Canine and Cocktails:** Clyde asked if any CTMB members would be attending the AKC National Championship Show in December in Orlando. John Cornell indicated that he may attend the show and would confirm his attendance or not at the November meeting.

**University of Wisconsin Cruciate Study:** Lori Littleford and Clyde participated in a ZOOM™ meeting with Dr. Peter Muir to discuss the inclusion of Newfoundlands in his DNA study of cruciate tears in Labradors. He informed them that with his preliminary research in Labradors, he currently considers cruciate tears to be 66% genetic and 33% environmental. As Newfoundlands and Labradors are closely related, he is hopeful that the same markers will appear in Newfoundlands. The CTMB then discussed the research protocols and the funding of the inclusion of Newfoundlands in the study.

Roger Powell moved and Chris Plum seconded that the Newfoundland Club of America Charitable Trust, as a policy, will not pay indirect costs on grant to fund research. The motion passed unanimously. 2 Absent (Hatakeyama, Spackman)

**OFA Quality Standards:** Lori reported on her call with Dr. Eddie Dziuk of OFA regarding quality metrics for DNA blood collections at specialties. She reported that there is a storage facility for the DNA samples at OFA. Dr. Dziuk said he will pull up research reports to see if researchers have reported any problems with the samples received from the OFA.

**Adjournment:** At 8:06 pm CDT, Lori Littleford moved and Roger Powell seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously. 2 Absent (Hatakeyama, Spackman)

The next meeting will be Wednesday, November 2, 2022 at 7 pm CDT.

Submitted by,

Mary Lou Cuddy  
Secretary