

**NCA Charitable Trust Management Board  
Minutes of February 8, 2023**

The Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) of the Newfoundland Club of America Charitable Trust met via ZOOM™ teleconference on Wednesday, February 8, 2023.

Clyde E. Dunphy called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm CST. 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 the Newfoundland OFA Health Survey closed the first week of January. The Trust's *Annual Report* is completed and it looks very nice. Marylou Zimmerman did a great job.

**Approval of Minutes:** Lori Littleford moved and Roger Powell seconded that the minutes of January 4, 2023 be approved as presented. The motion passed unanimously. (1 Absent: Spackman)

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

NCA Charitable  
Trust  
Balance Sheet  
January 31, 2023

Health Challenge		116,451.11
SAS Research		18,151.23
Forelimb Anomaly Research		2,700.45
Cruciate Study		397.68
Rescue Fund		36,530.14
Scholarship Fund		2,291.37
Trust Management		14,466.12
Endowment Fund		
CTMB	2.1%	11,821.04
Education Grant	2.2%	12,334.34
Health Challenge	23.8%	132,446.13
Rescue	54.5%	303,575.93

Scholarship	3.9%	21,638.39	
Unrestricted	<u>13.5%</u>	<u>75,378.01</u>	
	100.0%	557,193.84	<u>557,193.84</u>
			748,181.94

Mary also reported that Morgan Stanley, at the close of business today, was \$4000 over the January 31, 2023 totals which is welcome news.

The Charitable Trust online store opened on January 27<sup>th</sup> and has received 73 orders, to date, earning \$997 in commissions. The Amazon Smile program has been discontinued. The Trust will receive a final donation based on the average donation over the last three months, likely about \$300.

Janet Cain, a well-known artist, has proposed a fundraiser where she will design, produce, sell and ship a limited edition glass ornament.

A GoFundMe™ account has been set up as a fundraiser for the cruciate ligament study. Mary expressed her dissatisfaction that it is linked to PayPal™ as it makes verification difficult and she must pull the transfer of funds as PayPal™ does not send funds automatically. The Stolen Heartbeats fundraiser is also a GoFundMe™ fundraiser linked to PayPal™.

Mary Jane Spackman requested that each CTMB member and each NCA Board member reach out to ten Newf fanciers for a donation to the cruciate ligament study. She would also like to see the study promoted more on social media. By consensus, the CTMB members will contact ten Newf fanciers to encourage donations.

Clyde reported that he met with his financial advisor at a luncheon. There was discussion about the stock market and the past year. The firm advised to look at losses and gains over a three to five year period, not yearly. There was discussion and the CTMB members agreed to stay the course and not make any major changes at this time.

**NCA Rescue:** Mary reported the Southeastern NC Rescue group submitted a grant application for 50% of veterinary care costs (TPLO) for "Maverick". The grant would be for \$2,294.48.

Lori Littleford moved and Roger Powell seconded that the grant application from the Southeastern Newfoundland Club Rescue group for 50% of veterinary care costs (TPLO) for "Maverick" in the amount of \$2,294.48 be approved with a request that x-rays and reports be submitted for the cruciate study. The motion passed unanimously.

Next for consideration were two two-month old puppies ("Lilly" and "Lucy") who have severe heart defects. They were surrendered to NCA Rescue from a non-NCA breeder in Michigan. Initial cardiac evaluations were done but it was agreed that more information about their prognoses is needed.

Roger Powell moved and John Cornell seconded to authorize NCA Rescue to send "Lilly" and "Lucy" for a second opinion and further diagnostic workups by the cardiologists at Ohio State. A decision on funding any treatments or surgeries will be decided when more information is received.

The AKC Humane Fund is awarding rescue grants. The Trust will need a letter from NCA, Inc as the parent club to apply for this grant.

Lori Littleford moved and Mary Jane Spackman seconded to request that NCA, Inc provide a letter to authorize the Newfoundland Club of America Charitable Trust to apply for the available AKC Humane Fund rescue grants. The motion passed unanimously.

A \$5000 rescue grant from the Westminster Kennel Club has been received.

A pregnant female was released to Rescue and has delivered six puppies of which four have survived. Mary reported that the foster care has been exemplary. There are 15 Newfs in Rescue in Ohio and Michigan at this time, including the above. "Roger" in MI will need a TPLO. Information and x-rays are being sent.

Information for the next *NewfCares: Research and Rescue* is due February 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Trademarks:** Chris Plum reported the application and additional information has been submitted. Kristine Bruno helped with the process. Several minor issues have been reported back but clarification will resolve those. Mary will contact Cathe Archer, the Trust's official incorporation Connecticut address, to let her know that she may receive some mail regarding the trademarks application.

**National Specialty:** It was clarified that the Trust will support the 2023 Welcome Reception with a \$3000 donation. Every fifth year the Trust may host the Welcome Reception. Clyde will contact Nikki Dobson with this.

Mary Jane Spackman reported that she had spoken to Don Sharkey about the tent for the silent auctions and he will take care of everything.

Eileen Bergal will be donating a new 24"X48" crate to the Trust. She also has baskets with memorabilia from the Roger Frey estate for the auctions. The Trust will gratefully accept 2-3 of the baskets.

It was agreed that golf carts will be reserved for Sue Miller and Mary Jane for moving auction items back and forth. Mary Jane offered to pay half the cost for her cart as she also uses it for her personal use.

It was agreed to use the remaining Trust lapel pins and drool cloths for the registration bags of donors attending the National Specialty or to give out at the Trust tent to donors to the Trust.

It was agreed that Mary will check into having the rack cards reprinted for inclusion with the National Specialty catalog and available at the Trust booth and Welcome Reception.

**Online Fundraising:** Clyde reported he is still researching online auction houses for the disbursement of Newf memorabilia donated to the Trust.

**Adjournment:** At 8:24 pm CT, Mary Jane Spackman moved and Roger Powell seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at 7 pm CST.

Submitted by,

Mary Lou Cuddy  
Secretary