

**NCA Charitable Trust Management Board  
Minutes of August 2, 2023**

The Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) of the Newfoundland Club of America Charitable Trust met via ZOOM™ teleconference on Wednesday August 2, 2023.

Clyde E. Dunphy called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm CDT. Members present were John Cornell, Mary Lou Cuddy, Clyde Dunphy, Denise Hatakeyama, Lori Littleford, Chris Plum, Mary L. Price, and Mary Jane Spackman. Roger Powell was absent.

**Chairperson’s Report:** Clyde Dunphy, Chair reported that he and Lori Littleford will attend the AKC Canine Health Foundation Parent Club Health Conference August 11-13, 2023 in St. Louis, Missouri. Shauna Bryant will be attending for NCA, Inc. Dr. Joanne Tuohy, Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine will present her study One Histotripsy: A Novel Treatment for Osteosarcoma which the NCA Charitable Trust funded.

The deadline for *NewfCare: Research and Rescue* is August 15<sup>th</sup>.

The Morris Animal Foundation Donor-Inspired SAS study has been approved and began May 1, 2023 with a projected end date of April 30, 2025. The final payment of \$46,000 for that study will be paid from the Newfoundland Health Challenge Fund, with the total for this research grant of \$50,000.

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

	NCA Charitable Trust		
	Balance Sheet		
	July 31, 2023		
Health Challenge			86,809.20
SAS Research			150.78
Forelimb Anomaly Research			2,700.45
Cruciate Study			2,362.87
Rescue Fund			12,338.38
Scholarship Fund			6,707.62

Trust Management			4,910.23
Endowment Fund			
CTMB	0.3%	1,965.64	
Education Grant	2.3%	14,466.91	
Health Challenge	26.1%	163,011.69	
Rescue	52.6%	327,789.36	
Scholarship	3.7%	23,078.48	
Unrestricted	<u>14.9%</u>	<u>93,182.70</u>	
	100.0%	623,494.78	<u>623,494.78</u>
			739,474.31

Mary also reported the membership renewals are going well and all the donations have been transferred into their respective funds have been completed to date.

There was discussion regarding the Health Challenge CD that was coming due. After discussion, Lori Littleford moved and John Cornell seconded to transfer the Health Challenge Live Oak Bank CD proceeds at maturity, pay Morris Animal Foundation’s SAS study, and invest \$40,000 in a CD at BMO Harris at 5.10%. The motion passed unanimously. (Absent: Powell)

The CHF Donor-Advised Fund Dec. 31, 2022 report has been received. Mary noted that a large donation made to the Trust’s fund has been received and recorded. Mary shared that the Trust has been named in the will of Elizabeth B. McPherson, according to communication received from the court.

Mary, Lori, Chris Plum and Clyde reviewed the 2022 tax return and made no additional proposed amendments to the filed return. Lori Littleford moved and Chris Plum seconded to let the minutes reflect that the 2022 tax return was reviewed and no additional proposed amendments to the filed return were made. The motion passed unanimously. (Absent: Powell)

**NCA Rescue:** Mary L Price, Chair, informed the CTMB that there is a pending \$1,500 Barrister grant request from Vermont for TPLO surgery.

Lily & Lucy had their respective surgeries at MedVet in Ohio. The puppies are doing well at this time. The two surgeries cost \$24,045 with \$15,855 already raised.

A four-month-old puppy with a liver shunt has been surrendered. It has been advised to wait for the surgery until the puppy is a little older. More information will be forthcoming. It was suggested that an article on liver shunts could be developed for *NewfCare*.

**National Specialty:** There was discussion regarding increasing the NCA Trust sponsorship for the upcoming National Specialty Welcome Receptions. The show chair for the 2025 National had reached out and requested that the CTMB consider increasing its support due to inflation and the increasing costs of a National Specialty. Mary Jane Spackman moved and Chris Plum seconded to increase the 2024

& 2025 Welcome Reception grants to \$3,500 respectively. The motion passed unanimously. (Absent: Powell)

**Online Auctions:** Lori Littleford reported on her discussions with A Dog's Tale, an online auction house. Because of that business' policies regarding items taken for consignment, it may not be the best way to disperse the Newfoundland memorabilia. Lori is also looking into another online auction and will take some items to them to try.

There was a discussion regarding how to deal with the small items (mugs, etc.) and developing an inventory of items in storage with Marc Saunders. It was agreed to have Lori try Sell-A for some of the small items.

**Trademarks:** A question was raised should the Trust amend the trademark application to include other countries as the deadline to do so was approaching. It was agreed to let the deadline pass.

**Research Advisory Committee:** There was a brief discussion regarding a resume of a volunteer wanting to serve on the committee. It was agreed that this person's skill set would be better utilized on the Public Education or Health & Longevity Committees.

**Morris Animal Foundation:** It was reported that the Morris grant proposals are out and it is hoped to have some recommendations by the Trust's next meeting.

Clyde reported that he will be attending NCA, Inc's face-to-face meeting in November.

At 8:31 pm, Lori Littleford moved and John Cornell seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously. (Absent: Powell)

The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 7 pm CDT.

Submitted by,

Mary Lou Cuddy  
CTMB Secretary