NCA Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) Minutes of March 13, 2024

The Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) of the Newfoundland Club of America Charitable Trust met via ZOOM™ teleconference on Wednesday, March 13, 2024.

Clyde E. Dunphy called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm CDT. Members present were John Cornell, Mary Lou Cuddy, 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 had sent a letter, along with the stipend check, thanking Marylou Zimmerman for all of her dedicated work on behalf of the Trust. He will give an update on Trust activities during the NCA, Inc.'s Annual Membership Meeting on April 28, 2024 which will be held via ZOOM™. If there is a Junior Scholarship to be awarded, he will announce that at the awards ceremony held after the Welcome Reception at the National Specialty. He received thank you notes from David Hartmann (Penn-Ohio Newfoundland Club) and Mary Broihier (South Central Newfoundland Club) for the donated Trust items.

Approval of Minutes: Chris Plum moved and Lori Littleford seconded that the minutes of February 7, 2024 be approved as presented. The motion passed unanimously. (1 Absent: Powell)

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

	NCA Charitable Trust		
	Balance Sheet		
	February 29, 2024		
Health Challenge			54,162.30
Subaortic Stenosis Research			614.67
Forelimb Anomaly Research			2,700.45
Cranial Cruciate Ligament Study			3,557.87
Rescue Fund			10,260.67
Scholarship Fund			1,816.78
Trust Management			3,509.51
Endowment Fund			
Trust Management	0.3%	2,113.61	
Education Grant	2.4%	15,923.53	
Health Challenge	25.9%	168,986.85	
Rescue	50.0%	325,998.06	
Scholarship	3.7%	24,434.10	
Unrestricted	17.6%	114,584.28	
	100.0%	652,040.43	652,040.43
			728,662.68

Mary informed the CMTB that two scholarship payments are still available when requested by recipients. One scholarship awarded in 2011 was never claimed. An effort to reach out to that student will be made.

Mary also reported the latest report from the AKC Canine Health Foundation has been received. The reports are coming regularly now. A "thank you" was received from the Colonial Newfoundland Club for the rescue grant for "Ranger". He has had his surgery and is doing well.

The Elizabeth MacPherson estate is holding a real estate auction April 5, 2024 in Concord, NH. Mary received notification of a corporate donation match from the Margaret A. Cargill Foundation. This is a five-time employee match. Paws-to-Share program in Denver, CO pays their therapy dogs and handlers teams for their services. Paul Wheaton will be donating his payments to the Health Challenge. The Mile High United Way in Denver, CO has informed Mary that donations to the Trust will be transferred monthly and donors will be listed with the transfers.

There was a brief discussion about a CD coming due soon.

Lori Littleford moved and Chris Plum seconded to renew the CD that matures in April 2024 at the best available rate through Morgan Stanley. The motion passed unanimously. (1 Absent: Powell)

NCA Rescue: Mary L. Price, Chair, reported that NCA Rescue continues to be very busy. It appears that Amish "producers" are getting out of breeding Newfoundlands.

Morris Animal Foundation & Citizen Pet: Clyde reported on his ZOOM™ meeting with the staff of Citizen Pet, a new forum being developed by Morris Animal Foundation. This is an attempt to create a community of pet owners of a specific breed. It is hoped that it may facilitate a bridge between pet owners and researchers to develop ways to recruit volunteers for trials among other educational things. The Trust's involvement will be an ongoing discussion. Clyde will send a list of questions and discussion points to Morris for review.

2024 National Specialty: It was decided to request a 20' x 20' tent with sides, 12 tables and 6 chairs for the Trust booth at National Specialty and it was agreed to use the same format as last year with the raffles. Items are being accumulated.

Marylou Zimmerman and Chris Plum worked on a summary report of Trust activities to hand out at National Specialty events. Clyde reported that it would approximately \$150 for 250 of the 2-sided report.

Cruciate Study: Clyde will check with the AKC CHF to determine who is funding Dr. Muir's cruciate study. It could be the National Institute of Health. If it is the AKC CHF, then the Trust will consider using some of the Donor-Advised funds for this study.

SAS Proposed Study: The CTMB and the Research Advisory Committee are reviewing a proposed study from Dr. Herbert on the long-term results of the cutting balloon angioplasty procedure.

Help A Heart Campaign: The campaign has raised \$1993 from 40 donors so far. The campaign will finish at the end of April.

Fundraising: Lori Littleford reported that there has not been any action on the items consigned to A Dogs Tale. It was agreed that Lori would ask for the items to be returned.

At 8:51 p.m. CDT, there was unanimous consent to adjourn the meeting. (1 Absent: Powell)

The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 3, 2024 at 7 pm CDT.

Submitted by,

Mary Lou Cuddy CMTB Secretary