

NCA Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) Minutes of May 6, 2024

The Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) of the Newfoundland Club of America Charitable Trust met via ZOOM™ teleconference on Monday, May 6, 2024.

Clyde E. Dunphy called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm CDT. Members present were John Cornell, Mary Lou Cuddy, Denise Hatakeyama, Lori Littleford, Chris Plum (joined at 8:07 pm), Roger Powell, Mary L. Price, and Mary Jane Spackman.

Chairperson's Report: Clyde Dunphy, Chair, reported that he had given his report on Trust activities at the virtual NCA Annual Membership meeting.

Approval of Minutes: After discussion, John Cornell moved and Lori Littleford seconded that the minutes of April 3, 2024 be approved as amended. The motion passed. (1 Absent: Plum, 1 Abstention: Spackman)

Treasurer's Report: Mary L Price, Treasurer, reported the current balances and that the CTMB is meeting its financial targets. The AKC Canine Health Foundation is now regularly reporting on the Trust's Donor-Advised fund. She updated the Junior Scholarship fund balance after writing a check to a Junior Scholarship awardee (Lauren Texter) who submitted her documentation for payment.

Mary updated the CTMB that the tax return will be filed by May 15, 2024. She reported that the Elizabeth McPherson estate has started some dispersals, but not the cash awards. There were no additional updates on the other pending estates.

NCA Rescue: Mary L. Price, Chair. Reported that Rescue continues to be extremely busy. The Old West Newfoundland Club is taking in five Landseers from Arizona with the Newfoundland Club of Southern California assisting.

2024 National Specialty: Clyde reported that he had the new poster from AKC CHF and that it is very nice. The fliers are printed so there will be plenty to hand out. Mary Price has 1500 raffle tickets and 50 bags each for Health Challenge, Rescue, etc. She also reported that there will be some items from the Ann Dunnigan estate included. Chris Plum suggested asking local clubs if they would be interested in taking the unclaimed items.

Save A Heart Campaign: Mary reported that Mighty Cause™ will report at the end of the month and she will have that information available at the June meeting for the discussion on ending this campaign.

Breeder Education Committee: There was a discussion of another late request from this committee despite the new policy approved last year. Clyde will bring the request to the NCA Trustee meeting at the National Specialty. A suggestion was made to make funding for seminars a budget line item so it will be more readily available.

Water Work Videos: A discussion was held about the white & brown Newfoundland used in the videos and a possible statement that could be included in the video. Also, discussed the NCA Charitable Trust and the NCA Rescue logos, along with a link to the Trust, being added to the videos. Chris stated that the service mark should be used. This will be sent back to the NCA Trustee and the NCA Working Dog

Committee. The CTMB is requesting to view the finished product before final approval. It was agreed that the water work videos were very well-done and will be an asset for the NCA working dog information.

It was voted by unanimous consent that the CTMB approves the properly protected and presented water work videos pending approval by the Newfoundland Club of America, Inc. and the CTMB's review.

Vision Statement: Several members liked the vision statement developed by NCA, Inc. for its use. Clyde said that he would work on a similar statement to present at the June meeting.

Proposed SAS Study: Lori Littleford circulated comments from the Research Advisory Committee regarding this study. It was agreed that Dr Herbert gave a very nice presentation at the virtual NCA Annual Membership meeting. If the data can be expanded, it may give some very useful insights to the efficacy of the cutting balloon procedures. Additional discussion centered on the payment and getting updates and final reports.

Mary Jane Spackman moved and Chris Plum seconded to fully fund 90% (\$16,109) of Dr Herbert's SAS study with 10% being held back to insure the receipt of progress and final reports and payable after the receipt of the final report. The motion passed unanimously.

At 7:53 pm, Mary Jane Spackman moved and Roger Powell seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 5, 2024 at 7 pm CDT.

Submitted by,

Mary Lou Cuddy
CTMB Secretary