



English Springer Spaniel Foundation

Update to the Membership and Board Of Governors

Annual Meeting

April 29, 2022

Mission Statement: The English Springer Spaniel Foundation is a non-profit charity formed to secure and to provide financial and support for projects that focus charitable, educational and research efforts on dogs in general and the English Springer Spaniel in particular.



- To foster and promote the public's knowledge and appreciation of dogs in general and English Springer Spaniels in particular.
- To further understanding of the diseases, genetic anomalies and injuries which affect dogs in general and English Springer Spaniels in particular.
- To support and promote study of and research on the character, uses, history, genetics, breeding and related characteristics which establish the English Springer Spaniel as a distinct breed of dog.
- To support and promote the study and practice of responsible breeding principles as applied to dogs in general and the English Springer Spaniel in particular.
- To establish and maintain data bases in support of the charitable, educational and research efforts promoted by this organization.
- To develop information and make it available to the general public, English Springer Spaniel breeders, veterinarians and other dog care/training professionals, exhibitors and owners. Developed information should include, but not be limited to, the proper care, treatment, breeding, health characteristics, physical development and appropriate behavioral training of English Springer Spaniels.

Strategic Goals



- Ensure long term **financial security** by increasing the quality and quantity of our donor base.
- Identify and execute a five year **research investment** plan
- Advance **education and engagement** across the ESS fancy

Financial Wellness

- Robust portfolio of > \$750,000 managed by RBC, guided by disciplined investment principles
- New fundraising capabilities



Health and Research

- Collaboration with AKC CHF
- Data mining 2018 Health Survey
- Spaniel Health Initiative

Education and Outreach

- Increased communication capabilities
- Social Media presence
- National Specialty – research, DNA bank, Breeder Showcase

Key Accomplishments



- Continued work on single largest grant in Foundation history for the study of PRA to better guide owner and breeder decisions
- Met or exceeded financial benchmarks for investment portfolio
- Implemented a contemporary donor management system, Bloomerang, to enable a step change in fundraising and communication capabilities

Key Research Initiatives



Current and Ongoing Support

- PRA Grant – Dr. Keiko Miyadera, DVM PhD DACVO, University of Pennsylvania
- Tick Borne Diseases – Dr. Christine Peterson, U of Iowa
- CHF Collaborations: Epilepsy, Bloat, Cancer

Future Opportunities

- IMHA (immune mediated hemolytic anemia)/ other autoimmune diseases
- Skin disorders/ allergies

Moving Forward

- Conclusion of the PRA Study, Fall 2022
- Potential for a continued, longitudinal study of PRA
- Spaniel collaboration (American Cockers, English Cockers, Welsh Springers, Clumbers & ESS)
- Even stronger ties with the Parent Club

Thank You for Your Continued Support of the Foundation!