

High Tides Swim Club
Open Meeting Minutes
February 26, 2018

Present: Jill Farrell, Rhonda Witte, Rachel Mezera, Carrie Hanson, Eric Thovson, Tony Borka, Sarah Yerks, Coach Tim Hroma, Heidi Tague and guest, Julie Lakovic.

Meeting called to order at 7:37 PM

Coaches Report: Taper schedule has been set is on the calendar for all members. Spring season will begin on Monday, April 16, 2018, this will be added to the calendar. We will plan to do a suit sizing night at the beginning of this season, set for April 17, 2018 at 4:30, Heidi Tague, Coach Tim and Coach Kim will be available for questions, this will be added to the calendar, watch for more information. Summer season will begin on Monday, June 4, 2018 and will also be added to the calendar. Coach Tim will schedule goal setting sessions with each swimmer at the beginning of the Summer season. Coach Tim and BOD are looking into the option of offering a practice(s) in a long course pool (50 Meters) during the Spring/Summer session. If this becomes a feasible option more information will be made available at that time. More information to come as those dates are set. Coach Tim has proposed some changes in swim groups to better fit each swimmer with a practice group and also changes to Summer practice times. He will provide additional information at the next BOD meeting on March 13, 2018 as to the description of each group and we will continue the discussion on the practice schedule and then disseminate information to members. Equipment was ordered and has arrived, total cost was \$640.00, Coach Tim hopes to use the balance to purchase a rack to hold some of the equipment. He will follow-up with janitorial staff about the storage location of some of the items and determine if we need to move them. All equipment will or has been labeled HTSC. Coach Tim will take a video/pictures of swimmers utilizing the equipment so we can send to donors as an additional thank you and see the kids in action. New team suit: BOD members and Coach Tim have been able to finalize the new suit and will be available through the Team Store tab on the HTSC website. We are waiting for Elsmore to send us the link and then we will announce to members. Thank you for all your hard work. Swimathon date has been set (June 20, 2018 from 5:00-8:00 PM at the outdoor aquatic center) and BOD member, Carrie Hanson motioned to use the \$200 VISA gift card that our club won due to our 2017 fundraising efforts for the purchase of prizes for the swimathon, Heidi Tague seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed. Also approved using the gift card we received for a team pizza party as part of the business donation night that we do for the 2018 swimathon, Heidi Tague will update Emily Reck and other swimathon committee members. We felt it was good to use the gifts/prizes received for this year's swimathon. TENTATIVE Spring and Summer Meet Schedule (once these are finalized they will be posted on the HTSC calendar for members): May 12 HTSC host a meet; Hopkins Open Invitational (team would attend one session and we are assigned the session at a later date) May 19/20; June 8-10 ASF Austin Outdoor Community Pool-Open Invitational; June 22-24 ALEX pool springs and lake swim; June 22-24 Iowa Pink A+ Invitational; July 5-8 AQJT Invitational; July 7-8 BAC Bloomington Family Aquatic Center-Open Invitational; July 14-15

MAC's; July 19-22 Summer Speedos-Iowa City; July 20-22 MRC's; July 25-29 State Meet at U of M Aquatic Center (Age group and Senior State combined at this meet); August 2-5 Futures. Coach Tim will continue to work on MRC entries, state entries will be coming soon and he will send out an email to members who have the potential to be on a relay. Coach Tim and other coaches will work on awards for the banquet and printing team record certificates. Coach Tim will submit Fall/Winter 2018/2019 bids that HTSC BOD decides on hosting.

MRC Regional Meet: Rachel Mezera continues to work on the volunteer sign-up. Please sign up for your hours if you have not done so already. T-shirt vendor is lined up. Rhonda Witte will continue to work on meet entries. Eric Thovson will get hotel rooms for the 3 officials. Concessions and hospitality have met and everything is in place.

Annual Meeting and Short Course Banquet: April 6th, 2018 from 6:00-8:00 PM in the Middle School cafeteria. Swimmers meal is free and any other family members/attendees will be charged \$5, there will be a sign up at a later date, please watch for this, so that the correct amount of food can be ordered.

Apparel Orders: Emails were sent out on 2/27/18 from the Hutch Sports Shop for members to pick up their items. Members expressed an interest to order HTSC towels at a future date and Emily Reck has agreed to look into this with the local vendor and will follow-up with BOD. Also, we rotate items offered when the apparel store opens and will take into consideration at a future date offering long sleeved, tees, ¾ and full zip sweatshirts/hoodies.

Spring/Summer Registration: Dates have been set and fees will be determined at the March 13, 2018 BOD meeting and then information will be provided to the registrar and members will be notified when registration is open.

Bronze/Silver: Coach Tim will continue discussion(s) with Park and Recreation as needed regarding this program.

Fundraisers: Swimathon is set for June 20, 2018, Heidi Tague and Emily Reck will coordinate this event along with other members. Watch future updates from Coach Tim, news alerts and the HTSC website for information on our annual kick-off night at the pool and business donation night!

Meet bidding for 2018/2019: BOD decided to bid for a meet on 11/3/2018 at our home pool, February 2, 2019 at our home pool and 2019 MRC's which would be the first weekend in March.

Safe Sport: Monthly communication is sent out to USA swimming teams as a guide for Coaches to lead discussions with their swimmers. HTSC will continue to do these on a monthly basis. Coach Tim will provide an email to members prior to the discussion so parents are aware of what their swimmers will be learning/hearing.

Tech Planning Committee: No updates at this time. Club Excellence/Recognition program through USA Swimming. Carrie Hanson has provided information to the BOD on this program and we have been working towards achieving Level 1 by Spring of 2018. We have a check-list for the each level after this and as a club will continue achieve each level in the future. Carrie Hanson motion to approve the policies, as proposed (Action Plan to Address Bullying, Electronic Communication Policy, Education Topics for Parents, Safety Action Plan and General Operating Procedures), Eric Thovson seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion passed. These will be made available on the HTSC website for members when they are approved by USA Swimming.

Next meeting date is March 13, 2018 at the Days Inn Hutchinson, old dining room.

Meeting adjourned at 9:59 PM