High Tides Swim Club Board of Directors Open Meeting Minutes January 31, 2018

Present: Jill Farrell, Rhonda Witte, Rachel Mezera, Carrie Hanson, Eric Thovson, Tony Borka and Heidi Tague. Guests: Emily Reck and Julie Lakovic.

Meeting called to order at 7:36 PM

Swim-A-Thon: Informed Emily that the BOD decided on a goal of \$20,000.00. Date set, 6/20/2018, Emily will contact park and rec and reserve the outdoor pool. No formal rain date set, if it rains on the planned date the event will be done during a regular practice time, information would be made available to members at that time. Emily will send BOD the letter and will review for any edits. Letter states that if a business donates \$200+ their name will appear on our championship t-shirts, decided to keep this the same. Also, sponsors will be on our web-site each year 7/1-7/1. Heidi Tague will co-chair with Emily Reck. Heidi and Emily will meet and determine a first meeting date for all those interested and willing to help plan the event and more information will be made available. We will do another swim-a-thon kick off and a date will be determined once we know when the long course season starts.

Coaches Report: Coach Tim has informed all club members, via email, that he will not be present at MRC's, any parents/swimmers that have questions can contact Coach Tim directly. Speedo Sectionals-entries are in, information is online, we have 7 for sure attending and hope to have more. Team suits, waiting on one more company to get back to Coach Tim and then the plan is to have something available to order by Spring of 2018. Food drive will continue and Coach Tim will continue to put this in the weekly update. Coach Tim is still working on ordering equipment and it will be available for Spring season. Coach Tim reminded the BOD that at the Rochester meet they decided to pull all the 12 and under relays due to the size of the meet and the timeline. Families have been notified.

Intrasquad meet/Last Chance: Meet is done and it was a success. Thank you to everyone that helped out! Good job swimmers and Coaches!

MRC Regional Meet: Rachel and Julie provided an update. Volunteer sign-up will be made available to members soon as well as hospitality/concessions donations, members should watch for emails. Rhonda will do meet entries. T-shirt vendor is secured for two years. Carrie has completed the donation form for Walmart. Bag-Tags-all agreed that we should look into this. Eric Thovson will get information to Heidi so she can follow-up, we will need 500. Coach Tim will pick up items from MSI for the meet and will have a date set to do this by the next BOD meeting. 3/1/18 we will do a dry-run of the meet set up as some members will not be present. To set up for the meet on 3/9/18 at 2:30 Heidi, Julie and Eric have committed to being there.

Annual meeting/Short Course Banquet: Date is April 6, 2018 from 6:00-8:00 in the Middle School Cafeteria. \$5 fee for the meal for non-swimmers. We will ask families to RSVP. Heidi Tague will do a sign-in and collect money when families arrive. This will be held in the cafeteria at the Middle School.

Pack the Pool Event: We will continue to promote this through HTSC for a girls and boys Tigershark meet each season. HTSC swimmers will be able to get in free to this meet and support their High School swim team!

Spring/Summer Registration: Tabled until February meeting.

Bronze/Silver and Diving: Program continues to be run through Park and Rec, smaller program in the Winter. Watch for more information on diving program, Park and Rec is looking into this as an option, we will provide more information as it is available.

Fundraisers: Swim-a-thon, see notes at the beginning of the minutes. Eric Thovson is going to look into calendar sales for Fall of 2018.

Tech Planning Committee/Club Recognition Program: No formal update on Tech Planning, they are now holding all of their meetings face to face. Carrie Hanson and Tim Hroma will continue to be our representative and attend meetings. Club Recognition Program, Carrie Hanson has been working on this with Coach Tim and other BOD members. We hope to reach Level 1 by our annual meeting. There are a few pieces that still need to be completed and BOD members agreed to assist, we will get information back to Carrie by 2/19 so she can present everything to the BOD at the next meeting and it will be voted on at that time. Thank you Carrie and all others that have been working hard on this for our club!

Additional Topics: Team Store-Heidi will contact Mark at the Hutch Sport Shop on 2/1, we will have black/gold and championship available in either cotton or tech material, we need to have them ready for families to pick up by 3/1/2018 so the timeline to order will be short. Heidi will open the store with the link and also send out an email to all members. Going forward, when we order an item as a team, like swim caps, we will bill swimmers accounts at the ordering cut off date and then the item will come at a later date.

Next Meeting Date: 2/26/18 (at MSSB back room) and 3/13/18 (location TBD, MSSB is not available), both meetings will have the executive meeting at 6:30 and the open will begin at 7:30.

Meeting adjourned at 9:16 PM.