High Tides Swim Club-January 23, 2017, BOD Open Meeting

7:29 PM Rachel M called meeting to order.

Present- Rachel Mezera, Carrie Hanson, Eric Thovson, Angie Oestreich, Jill Farrell, Mari Kalenberg, Heidi Tague, Sarah Yerks, Tim Hroma and Emily Reck.

Fundraisers: Mari provided a written report to the board prior to the meeting, time was spent discussing the Swim-a-thon as Emily attended the meeting for this purpose: Emily Reck will be chairing the swim-a-thon, Mari will co-chair until 4/1/2017. By that date Emily and Mari hope that there will be a committee formed of High Tides parents and/or board members. Emily will e-mail Coach Tim about getting committee members and he will put it in his weekly update to all High Tides families. Emily shared several ideas she has on how to meet our goal of \$20,000.00. The committee members will be a large part of the fundraising along with what each individual swimmer is able to get donated. Emily talked about Thrivent and if you are a member you can apply for an action card, 2 times per year, I believe and they are each worth \$250.00. So, if any High Tides families are Thrivent members contact Emily or your Thrivent Representative with any questions. Swim-a-thon packets will be distributed to swimmers/families about 45-60 prior to the event and we receive those from MSI. Date of Swim-a-thon is Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at the new outdoor facility! We will have a rain date, utilizing the indoor pool, if needed, possibly the week of July 4, 2017, not the most ideal time of the summer however, this is the only week of the summer when swimming lessons are not being held. Krispy Kreme-8 families participated. Sold about 197 dozen donuts. Mari believes that she will have to drive down and get them to avoid the \$420 delivery charge as we did not meet the minimum of 400 dozen sold. Burich Grant-no update.

**Coaches Report:** Tim provided a full report to the board prior to the meeting and as a group we reviewed this in more detail.

Spring/Summer meet schedule-4/29 Rochester Orcas Pentathalon, 50 meeter; 5/13 we were hoping to host a relay only meet, Tim is going to e-mail teams to determine interest and level of commitment due to the number of other meets that are also on the schedule, we will have an update at the next meeting and finalize whether or not we will host a meet or possibly attend a meet; 5/20-21 Hopkins open invite, U of M 50 meter; 6/2-6/4 WOLF A/B/C Invite at the U of M 50 meter; 6/16-6/17 Alex Pool/Lake sprints 25 yard; 6/23-6/25 Mankato Open Invite 50 meter; 6/29-7/2 Aquajet Invite 50 meter (qualifying meet); 7/6-7/10 South Dakota meet and water park. These are all tentative and subject to change, please look for more information and confirmation of these meets.

Short Course Taper Schedule is complete and Tim will provide in an e-mail and it will be a news item on the web-site, it will not be on the calendar, so pay attention to the championship meet(s) your swimmer is attending and review the taper schedule once it is provided, contact Coach Tim with any questions.

Spring Practice, reservations have been made for 5:00-7:30 PM Monday through Friday starting April 10, 2017. Bronze and Silver will also run during this time.

Rochester A-entries have been accepted and Tim will send updates after the next few meets.

Coach Tim will continue to finalize the South Dakota team trip, order new equipment, discuss summer practice times with Park and Recreation and confirm the summer meet schedule.

Coach Tim provided a good summary of all the swimming levels, bronze to seniors, overall he is seeing a lot of hard work and time improvements among all levels and individual swimmers, Coach Mark and Coach Kim are doing well with their groups, he is pleased with the level of commitment he is seeing from the swimmers, overall GREAT JOB EVERYONE!

**Registration Status:** Angie provided the following to the board prior to the meeting; We have a total of 69 swimmers! Rook 2=15, Rook 4=9, Junior=16, Junior Elite=18, Senior=3, and Senior Maintenance=8.

**Hosted Meets:** Final Splash-February 4, basic meet, all spots are filled. MRC's 3/3-3/5-please sign up for your volunteer hours if you have not done so already. Jill Farrell is the meet director, contact her if you have any questions or concerns regarding volunteering. May relay meet, as stated earlier, we need to gather more information and will make a final decision about hosting at our February meeting.

**Club Management:** Short Course Banquet will be on April 7, 2017, 6:00 PM, location and more information to follow at a later date. All members that should have keys to the cabinet have them, we have 2 extra sets. It has been determined that we do want to host another Splash Night and the tentative date is April 10, 2017. At the February meeting we will discuss in more depth, with input from the strategic planning committee what meets to big on for 2017/2018. Darian Townsend clinic has been cancelled. We need more tri fold brochures and we will put a something in the park and rec brochure, and we will want to run another add in the brochure as well, RM to contact them. We would also like to send a flier home with Park Elementary kids about our Spring/Summer season, that should go out by 4/1/2017.

**Technical Planning Committee:** Carrie Hanson attends these meetings and provided a written update to the board prior to the meeting.

**Equipment:** We were awarded a grant through sno pros and Coach Tim will be ordering equipment. Towards are ordered and when they are in families will be notified. Championship T-shirts and other items will be available in our online store, open 1/23-1/29/2017.

**Next Board Meeting:** Is set for February 13, 2017, Executive Meeting at 6:30 and open meeting at 7:30. Location to be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 PM