

High Tides Swim Club 2021 Annual Meeting/Short Course Banquet
Christ the King Church
May 27th 2021

Board Members

President: Kristy Scheidt
Vice President: Adam Wendlandt
Past President: Emily Reck
Treasurer: Sarah Yerks
Secretary: Katie Brecht
At Large Director: Travis Wakefield
At Large Director: Robb Collett
At Large Director:

Non Board Positions

Head Coach: RJ Greseth
Registrar: RJ Greseth
Safety Director: Rachele Mathwig
Team Store: Summer O'Neill
Webmaster: RJ Greseth
Swim Meet Director: Open
Swim-a-Thon Chair: Open
Meet Entries Coordinator: RJ Greseth

1. **Welcome and call to order @6:30pm.** The evening started out with a brief welcome and a pizza dinner. During the meal, a short presentation was given by the board. The highlights of the presentation were as follows.

2. **Staying in Touch-**This has been an on again, off again season. After our return to the pool in July, we spent a few weeks practicing. In the late summer/early fall, we were unable to use our home pool so our practice sessions moved to New Prague. After persistent communication with PRCE and our school board, we were able to return to the Carlson pool. In late November, due to the governor's executive order, we were shut down again. Throughout these trying times, the club remained strong. The board would like to thank our members for keeping up with communication and their support and trust. We'd also like to thank the parents/volunteers who assisted with covid screening and cleaning when we returned to the pool last summer. During the times when our club was shut down, the board made staying in touch with members a priority. Coach RJ ran Zoom dryland practices and our board met via Zoom as well. Our website was continually updated with Covid and regular communication, and this spring, we trialed a monthly newsletter. The feedback we received regarding the newsletter was very positive so we'll continue these newsletters in the future.

3. **Fundraisers:-** Due to covid restrictions, our fundraising was limited to the annual mum sales. This was a very successful fundraiser, thanks to everyone who participated. We have two more upcoming fundraisers, our rescheduled Swim-A-Thon which is planned for January 2022 and our 1st annual Jerry Carlson golf tournament on August 2nd, 2021. We are looking for help with the golf fundraiser so if anyone is interested in helping with this event, please fill your name out on the form that is circulating the room or reach out to a board member.

4. **High Tides Coaches:** We'd like to recognize our coaches this season, Head Coach RJ Greseth, Assistant coaches Mark Field, Kim Ortloff, and Megan Bateman

5. **Club Officials:** We'd like to recognize and thank our club officials, Julie Craig, Eric Thovson, Jill Decker, Richard Decker, Kim Ortloff, Jory Hanson, and Adam Wendlandt. Thank you to our officials, your dedication is greatly appreciated! If any members are interested in becoming officials, please reach out to any board member or Coach RJ.

6. **Board of Directors April 2020-March 2021:** President Emily Reck, Vice President Kristy Scheidt, Past President Julie Lakovic, Treasurer Sarah Yerks, Secretary Katie Brecht, Member at Large Adam Wendlandt, Member at Large Robb Collett, Member at Large Travs Wakefield

7. **Other Club Positions:** Safety Director Rachele Mathwig, Team Store Summer O'Neill, Registrar Coach RJ, Webmaster Coach RJ/Board of Directors, Swim Meet Director-OPEN, Swim-a-Thon Chair-OPEN

8. **Past President Recognition:** A gift was presented to Past President Julie Lakovic in appreciation of her service on the High Tides Board of Directors. Thank you Julie!!

9. **Short Course Recap-** Coach RJ gave a recap of the unique short course season and the meets that the club participated in. The competition season was limited, but we made the best of it and had a lot of fun despite the obstacles. Treats and awards were handed out to swimmers who participated in meets, achieved team records, placed in the virtual state leadership board, and moved up in swim groups.

. **2021 Long Course Season-** Online registration is open! Please see the team website to get your swimmer signed up for the long course season. Coach RJ is still working on the summer meet schedule. He will update the team website when the meet schedule has been determined. The club will again partner with PRCE for a session of Tigers and Sharks in June. We will also host two splash nights in the upcoming month. Spread the word to anyone you know who might have interest in trying out for our program.

11. **Looking Forward-** We hope to be back to a normal swim schedule in Fall 2021. Our tentative plans moving forward are to host a Fall Harvest Classic in November 2021. We also plan to bid for MRC's or MAC's which will be held in February 2022. All plans are dependent on Covid regulations, MN Swim regulations and the Hutchinson School District.

12. **Looking Forward Club Initiatives**

* **Safe Sport-** We became a Safe Sport Recognized Club in October 2020

* **Continuing with Monthly Newsletter-** June/July will be combined into one newsletter. Copies of past newsletters can be found on the team website.

***New Fundraising Efforts-** Please watch for communication on the upcoming Jerry Carlson Golf Tournament. The board continues to search for more club fundraisers.

13. **Membership Vote on budget, bylaws, and new board members:**

- **Proposed Budget:** HTSC Treasurer, Sarah Yerks reviewed the 2020-2021 budget as well as the proposed 2021-2022 budget. She asked if there were any questions regarding the budget. Nobody had comments or questions. A motion was made by Heidi Tague and 2nd by Emily Reck to approve the proposed 2021-2022 budget. All members voted in favor, motion carried.

- **Board Members:** There are two open positions on the High Tides Board of Directors. We have two members who have asked to be on the ballot, Leanne Redmann, and Jared Martig. Rob asked if there were any more board member nominations from the floor, and there was no response. Twice more Rob asked if there were any nominations from the floor again with no response. Rob asked if a motion would be made to elect Leanne and Jared to the board. A motion was made by Travis Wakefield and 2nd by Emily Reck, all members were in favor, motion carried.

*Prior to tonight's meeting, the revised club bylaws were emailed to all members. Members had time to review the bylaws and bring any questions to the meeting. Rob asked if anyone had questions regarding the revisions, and there were no responses. A motion was made by Katie Brecht and 2nd by Kristy Scheidt to approve the new club bylaws. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

14. **Fall Practice Fees-** The fees for the 2021-2022 short course season will be increasing by \$5 per month. The new fees will be listed on the team website.

15. **Adjournment-** A motion was made to adjourn the meeting with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45.