

**Houston's First Baptist Church**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**January 13, 2013**

The regular business meeting of Houston's First Baptist Church was held on this date with Dr. David Self, Executive Pastor, serving as Moderator. Les O'Neal voiced the opening prayer.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the November 4, 2012 church conference had been posted on the Church's website and paper copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

Brandon Burk, Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the Financial Report for the months of October and November, 2012. Total receipts for the month of November were \$1,538,502.68 which was \$70,424.68 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of November were \$1,485,557.50 which was \$156,466.57 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The Financial Report for the months of October and November was unanimously accepted by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial Report for the above mentioned months is attached and made a part of these minutes.

The Church Conference Report for the months of October and November, 2012 was presented listing the names of those who have been added to the Church roll since the previous regular meeting, as well as the names of all to whom letters of recommendation have been granted to other churches. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the reports were unanimously accepted as presented. Church membership at the end of November was 26,258. A copy of the Membership Report for the above mentioned months is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to approve a 60 month lease of over 9,300 square feet of office and multipurpose space for weekly use by Cypress Ministry. The rents will start at \$14 per square foot in year 1 and escalate to \$17 per square foot in year 5. During the lease, 4 months of rent will not be charged. The Landlord is providing \$46,550 of funds for tenant improvements. Total committed funds for the lease over the 5 year period will not exceed \$973,000. The lease will require the signature of two trustees for execution. The recommendation came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to accept the request to adopt Grace Church – Sienna to become a Multisite facility located in the Southwest area of Houston. HFBC will accept their assets and liabilities. Jeff Rees will be Campus Pastor to the 90 - 120 members who currently attend. This campus will be under the Resolution for Multisite Campuses that was approved by HFBC at the November 4 Business Meeting and will commence on Easter Sunday, March 31, 2013. Documentation regarding this adoption will require the signature of two trustees. The recommendation came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved.


Dr. Self introduced Ken Harry, Chairman of the Cross Tower Task Force, who made a presentation of the Task Force's findings and recommendation to build a Cross Tower on the corner of Katy Freeway and Memorial Woods Blvd. It was stated that some designated monies have been given for this project. The cost of the tower is not to exceed \$900,000. Documentation for this project will require the signature of two trustees. The recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented recommendations from three separate Licensing Councils each Coordinated by Charles R. Poor to license the following men to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ:

Jacob Sweeney  
Brad Talbert  
Robert Ring

The recommendation follows examination of written and oral responses from each of the three men about a wide range of biblically based theological matters. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the recommendation was unanimously approved. A copy of the letter of recommendation from each Licensing Council is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

There being no further business to come before the Congregation, the meeting was adjourned. Pastor Gregg Matte voiced the closing prayer.

  
Mary Lyn Langford  
Church Clerk

**Houston's First Baptist Church**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**February 10, 2013**

The regular business meeting of Houston's First Baptist Church was held on this date with Dr. David Self, Executive Pastor, serving as Moderator. Les O'Neal voiced the opening prayer.

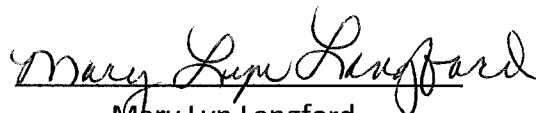
The Moderator stated that the minutes of the January 13, 2013 church conference had been posted on the Church's website and paper copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

Brandon Burk, Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the Financial Report for the month of December, 2012. Total receipts for the month of December were \$3,585,874.03 which was \$762,339.03 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of December were \$1,855,469.63 which was \$286,049.25 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The Financial Report for the month of December was unanimously accepted by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial Report for the above mentioned month is attached and made a part of these minutes.

The Church Conference Report for the month of December, 2012 was presented listing the names of those who have been added to the Church roll since the previous regular meeting, as well as the names of all to whom letters of recommendation have been granted to other churches. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the report was unanimously accepted as presented. Church membership at the end of December was 26,304. A copy of the Membership Report for the above mentioned month is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Selection Committee to approve Diana Parker to complete a one year unexpired term on the Finance Committee and Mike Brown to complete a one year unexpired term on the Selection Committee. The recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The motion was approved.

There being no further business to come before the Congregation, the meeting was adjourned.

  
Mary Lyn Langford  
Church Clerk

**Houston's First Baptist Church**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**April 7, 2013**

The regular business meeting of Houston's First Baptist Church was held on this date with Dr. David Self, Executive Pastor, serving as Moderator. Pastor Gregg voiced the opening prayer. Dr. Self invited the congregation to give tribute to our Pastor for his leadership in the Mission 1:8 two year program resulting in 662 committing to become first time givers; 306 committing to step up from occasional to intentional giving; 433 committing to step up from intentional giving to tithing; and 609 committing to step up from tithing to extravagant giving while pledging to give \$71, 010,058.

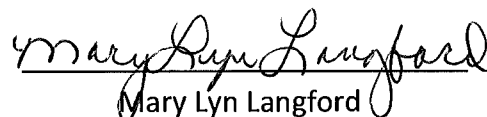
The Moderator stated that the minutes of the March 3, 2013 church conference had been posted on the Church's website and paper copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

The Moderator presented the Financial Report for the month of February, 2013. Total receipts for the month of February were \$1,697,478.31 which was \$229,400.31 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of February were \$1,565,526.23 which was \$21,860.50 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The Financial Report for the month of February was unanimously accepted by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial Report for the above mentioned month is attached and made a part of these minutes.

The Church Conference Report for the month of February, 2013 was presented listing the names of those who have been added to the Church roll since the previous regular meeting, as well as the names of all to whom letters of recommendation have been granted to other churches. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the report was unanimously accepted as presented. Church membership at the end of February was 26,479. A copy of the Membership Report for the above mentioned month is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a motion from the Finance Committee to approve listing Sienna's two acre property site on the Real Estate market. The motion carried its own second and was unanimously approved.

There being no further business to come before the Congregation, the meeting was adjourned.

  
Mary Lyn Langford  
Church Clerk

**Houston's First Baptist Church**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**May 5, 2013**

The regular business meeting of Houston's First Baptist Church was held on this date with Dr. David Self, Executive Pastor, serving as Moderator. Mark Palmer voiced the opening prayer.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the April 7, 2013 church conference had been posted on the Church's website and paper copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

The Moderator presented the Financial Report for the month of March, 2013. Total receipts for the month of March were \$1,827,635.92 which was \$4,100.92 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of March were \$1,516,806.71 which was \$229,549.61 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The Financial Report for the month of March was unanimously accepted by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial Report for the above mentioned month is attached and made a part of these minutes.

The Church Conference Report for the month of March, 2013 was presented listing the names of those who have been added to the Church roll since the previous regular meeting, as well as the names of all to whom letters of recommendation have been granted to other churches. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the report was unanimously accepted as presented. Church membership at the end of March was 26,573. A copy of the Membership Report for the above mentioned month is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

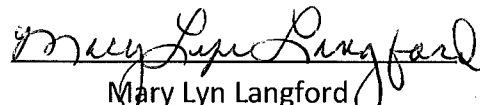
Dr. Self presented a motion from the Finance Committee to approve setting aside \$850 K for Capital Improvements from Mission 1:8 funds to lease space on the first floor of the Sienna building. The motion carries its own second and was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Selection Committee to approve Andy Wolford to complete an unexpired term on the Personnel Committee. The recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the Deacon Administrative Committee to authorize Pastor Gregg Matte to select up to ten Messengers to represent HFBC at the Southern Baptist Convention's annual meeting to be held in Houston, TX June 11-12, 2013. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the motion was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation to authorize Jay Paxton as Trustee to close on a right of way gift benefitting HFBC by approximately \$660,000. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the motion was unanimously approved.

There being no further business to come before the Congregation, the meeting was adjourned. Craig Bloodworth voiced the closing prayer.

  
Mary Lyn Langford  
Church Clerk

**Houston's First Baptist Church**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**June 2, 2013**

The regular business meeting of Houston's First Baptist Church was held on this date with Dr. David Self, Executive Pastor, serving as Moderator. Waymon Koonce voiced the opening prayer.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the May 5, 2013 church conference had been posted on the Church's website and paper copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

The Moderator presented the Financial Report for the month of April, 2013. Total receipts for the month of April were \$1,471,425.26 which was \$3,347.26 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of April were \$1,679,311.27 which was \$14,252.25 more than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The Financial Report for the month of April was unanimously accepted by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial Report for the above mentioned month is attached and made a part of these minutes.

The Church Conference Report for the month of April, 2013 was presented listing the names of those who have been added to the Church roll since the previous regular meeting, as well as the names of all to whom letters of recommendation have been granted to other churches. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the report was unanimously accepted as presented. Church membership at the end of April was 26,637. A copy of the Conference Report for the above mentioned month is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation to approve the following HFBC members to serve as Messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention:

Dana, Jaye & Kelli Martin	Phillip & Kathleen Evans
John Brunson	Jim Dermon
Paul Sanders	Bill Pierson
Bob Black	

The Convention will be held in Houston, Texas June 11-12, 2013. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the motion was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the New Deacon Committee to approve the following men to be ordained as Deacons:

Troy Hammerstrom	Gary Hazen
Khai Huynh	Alex Leung (Downtown)
Steve Klein	Tim Timpani
Joe Phan	Randy Burchfield (previously ordained)
Guy Moore (previously ordained)	

The Ordination Service will be on July 7, 2013. The recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved.

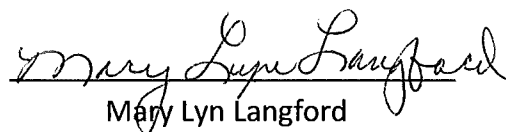
Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee that the Church delegate authority to Finance Committee for a period of 90 days to purchase Shops at Sienna property at a price not to exceed \$5MM with necessary contracts to be signed by two Trustees. The recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to accept EE Reed as the contractor for Sienna 1<sup>st</sup> floor space build out with necessary contracts to be signed by two Trustees. The recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to enter into a lease at 1010 Lamar for 622 square feet of space to be used for childcare for the downtown church. The lease would be entered into at not to exceed terms of a 5 year lease with first year costs of \$21.50 per square foot, and would escalate to \$23.50 in year 5 with necessary contracts to be signed by two Trustees. The recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee for the proposed Operating Budget for fiscal year ended June 2014. The amount of the proposed budget is \$24,567,096. The motion came from the Finance Committee and carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved. A copy of Houston's First Baptist Church Operating Budget for FYE June 30, 2014 comparing the previous year's budget showing the increase/decrease for various line items is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

There being no further business to come before the Congregation, the meeting was adjourned. Brandon Burke voiced the closing prayer.



Mary Lyn Langford  
Church Clerk



**Houston's First Baptist Church**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**August 25, 2013**

The regular business meeting of Houston's First Baptist Church was held on this date at the Cypress Campus Ministry Office Building, 22220 Northwest Freeway Suite B, Cypress, Texas. Dr. David Self, Executive Pastor, served as Moderator. Pastor Gregg Matte voiced the opening prayer.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the June 2, 2013 church conference had been posted on the Church's website and paper copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

The Moderator presented the Financial Report for the month of June, 2013. Total receipts for the month of June were \$1,828,435.13 which was \$4,883.13 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of June were \$2,347,219.16 which was \$565,189.62 more than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The Financial Report for the month of June was unanimously accepted by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial Report for the above mentioned month is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Church Conference Reports for the months of May and June, 2013 were presented listing the names of those who have been added to the Church roll since the previous regular meeting, as well as the names of all to whom letters of recommendation have been granted to other churches. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the report was unanimously accepted as presented. Church membership at the end of June was 26,748. A copy of the Conference Report for the above mentioned months is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Following are several items noted to be for information only:

Dr. Self stated that he had written a letter of intent to purchase a site for the Cypress campus located on the Grand Parkway in the Bridgeland Development. There will be a few months delay before the purchase can be transacted **with such purchase to be approved by Church Conference vote.**

The Moderator informed the congregation that a study group will be formed soon to explore the possibility of building a 1,000 car garage on the west parking lot.

Dr. Self informed the congregation that the Southern Baptist Convention had recommended that all SBC churches amend their By-Laws to clearly define the term "marriage." He said that such an amendment will be presented at a later date. He stated that should anyone desire to see the proposed amendment to contact him.

The Moderator gave a report that the Business Directory will be available soon.

There being no further business to come before the Congregation, the meeting was adjourned.

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Mary Lyn Langford  
Church Clerk

**Houston's First Baptist Church**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**September 22, 2013**

The regular business meeting of Houston's First Baptist Church was held on this date with over 500 members in attendance with Dr. David Self, Executive Pastor, serving as Moderator. Ben Pritchett, Minister to Adults, voiced the opening prayer.

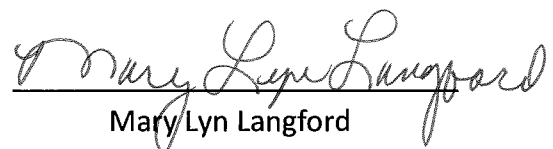
The Moderator stated that the minutes of the August 25, 2013 church conference had been posted on the Church's website and paper copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

The Church Conference Report for the month of July, 2013 was presented listing the names of those who have been added to the Church roll since the previous regular meeting, as well as the names of all to whom letters of recommendation have been granted to other churches. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the report was unanimously accepted as presented. Church membership at the end of July was 26,789. A copy of the Conference Report for the above mentioned month is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented recommendations from two separate Licensing Councils each coordinated by Charles R. Poor to license Josh Ganjovi and Derek Neese to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ. The recommendation follows examination of written and oral responses from each man about a wide range of biblically based theological matters. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the recommendation was unanimously approved. A copy of the letter of recommendation from each Licensing Council is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator introduced the proposed amendment to the Bylaws as the addition of Article V, Church Statement on Marriage. He then gave a brief summary of each section of Article V and he explained that there had been a meeting to discuss the proposed amendment the previous Wednesday evening. Bill Rademacher, Chairman of Deacons, made a motion to accept the proposed amendment to the Bylaws as presented. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. A copy of the Amendment as presented is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

There being no further business to come before the Congregation, the meeting was adjourned.

  
Mary Lyn Langford  
Church Clerk

**Houston's First Baptist Church**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**October 6, 2013**

The regular business meeting of Houston's First Baptist Church was held on this date with Dr. David Self, Executive Pastor, serving as Moderator. Ken Lowrimore voiced the opening prayer.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the September 22, 2013 church conference had been posted on the Church's website and paper copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

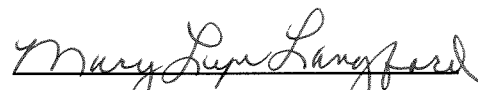
The Church Conference Reports for the month of August, 2013 was presented listing the names of those who have been added to the Church roll since the previous regular meeting, as well as the names of all to whom letters of recommendation have been granted to other churches. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the report was unanimously accepted as presented. Church membership at the end of August was 26,865. A copy of the Conference Report for the above mentioned month is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented the Financial Report for the months of July and August, 2013. Total receipts for the month of August were \$1,895,112.25 which was \$1,777.93 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of August were \$1,811,658.11 which was \$184,292.18 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The Financial Report for the months of July and August were unanimously accepted by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial Report for the above mentioned months is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation to elect John Brunson and Paul Sanders to serve as Messengers representing Houston's First Baptist Church at the Southern Baptist Texas Convention to be held October 28-29, 2013 in Amarillo, Texas. He also requested the Church authorize Pastor Gregg Matte to name up to seven additional members as messengers per HFBC quota should other church members come forward who plan to attend the convention. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the recommendation was unanimously approved.

The Moderator announced that the Deacon Administrative Committee had approved the formation of a Parking Garage Building Committee consisting of Paul Sanders Jr. (Chairman), Jason Baker, Roger Bridgwater, Joe Calvert, Rene Joubert and Art Nicholson. Funds from the Capital Reserve operating budget in the amount of \$200,000 has been set aside for this committee to perform feasibility studies related to parking garage ingress and egress, as well as documenting alternatives to a garage. It is expected they will have their report and recommendation for the January 12, 2013 Deacon's meeting and Church Conference.

There being no further business to come before the Congregation, the meeting was adjourned. Jay Paxton voiced the closing prayer.

  
Mary Lyn Langford  
Church Clerk

**Houston's First Baptist Church**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**November 3, 2013**

The regular business meeting of Houston's First Baptist Church was held on this date at the Downtown Campus location with Dr. David Self, Executive Pastor, serving as Moderator. Bill Rademacher voiced the opening prayer.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the October 6, 2013 church conference had been posted on the Church's website and paper copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

The Church Conference Report for the month of September, 2013 was presented listing the names of those who have been added to the Church roll since the previous regular meeting, as well as the names of all to whom letters of recommendation have been granted to other churches. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the report was unanimously accepted as presented. Church membership at the end of September was 26,953. A copy of the Conference Report for the above mentioned month is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

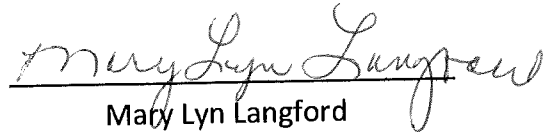
The Moderator presented the Financial Report for the month of September, 2013. Total receipts for the month of September were \$2,356,981.33 which was \$1,875.93 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of September were \$1,844,165.21 which was \$105,770.56 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The Financial Report for the month of September was unanimously accepted by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial Report for the above mentioned month is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a motion from the Finance Committee to set aside an additional \$300,000 of General Fund Cash into the Cross Tower Project fund to allow for a total not to exceed price on the project of \$1.2MM. The Church had previously approved an expenditure of \$900,000 for the project. The motion carries its own second and was approved. The expected completion date for the project is Easter of 2014.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to enter into a non-binding letter of intent with the Woodlands Development Corporation to purchase 25 to 35 acres in Bridgeland along the Grand Parkway at a price not to exceed \$1.50 per square foot on the first 5 acres, and \$6 per square foot on the remaining acres purchased. This non-binding letter of intent may require deposit money. If so, this motion allows for a non-refundable deposit up to \$200,000 to be paid upon execution of the non-binding letter of intent. A final contract will be presented to the Church Body for approval at a later date. The recommendation comes from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the Selection Committee to elect Joe Calvert, Jeff Pennington and Dr. Charles Poor to serve as Church Trustees. The recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved.

There being no further business to come before the Congregation, the meeting was adjourned. Allen O'Neal voiced the closing prayer.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Mary Lyn Langford". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Mary Lyn Langford  
Church Clerk