

Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meetings

Jan 8, 2017

Feb 8, 2017

Mar 8, 2017

Apr 5, 2017

No Meeting May 2017

June 7, 2017

No Meeting July 2017

Aug 9, 2017

No Meeting Sep 2017

Oct 6, 2017

No Meeting Nov 2017 due to the World Series

No Meeting Dec 2017

Houston's First Baptist Church
Regular Business Meeting
January 8, 2017

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

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the November 6, 2016 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 months of October & November 2016 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. Church membership at the end of November was 29,350. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the reports were unanimously accepted. A copy of the Conference Report for the above mentioned months is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

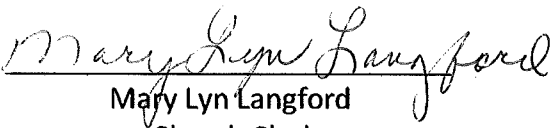
The Moderator presented the Financial Report for the months of October & November 2016. Total receipts for the month of November were \$2,493,663 which was \$183,474 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of November were \$2,300,702 which was \$257,098 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Reports came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second. The Financial Report for the months of October & November was accepted unanimously 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 the following list of names to be approved to serve on various Church Committees beginning April 1, 2017: **Benevolence Committee** – George Schindler, Raul Esquivel & TW Kirkpatrick; **Facilities Committee** – Blaine Streeter (deacon), Johnny Evans & Matt Marshall; **Finance Committee** – Kevin Jordan (deacon), Sara Mizell & George Payne; **Missions Committee** – Becky Morris, Frank Blackwood, Marc Kohler (deacon), Robert Rogers; **Personnel Committee** – Larry Burns (deacon) & Jo Ellen Dietz; **Safety Committee** – Danny Uhyrek; **Scholarship Committee** – Dennis Perry & Lisa Slattery; **Selection Committee** – Cason White (deacon). These recommendations came from the Selection Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to approve Tellepsen Company as the General Contractor for Phase 1 of the Central Plant Renovations at a not to exceed total project cost of \$1.95 MM. Partial funding for the project was already set aside in the amount of \$715,000 in a project fund. Leaving a remaining funding need of \$1,235,000, with such funds coming from the General Fund Cash. All legal documents would

require the signature of two Church Trustees. The recommendation came in the form of a motion from the Finance Committee which carries the weight of a second and was approved unanimously.

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
February 8, 2017

The regular Church Conference of Houston's First Baptist Church was held on this date with Dr. David Self, Executive Pastor, serving as Moderator. Ron P'Pool voiced the opening prayer.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the January 6, 2017 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 December 2016 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. Church membership at the end of December was 29,369. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the report was unanimously accepted. A copy of the Conference Report for the above mentioned month is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

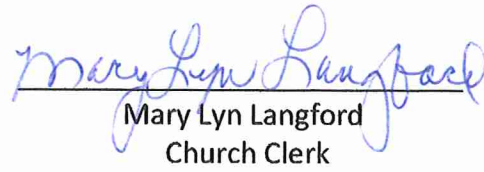
The Moderator presented the Financial Report for the month of December 2016. Total receipts for the month of December were \$4,851,366 which was \$730,423 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of December were \$2,415,621 which was \$252,593 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second. The Financial Report for the month of December was accepted unanimously 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 a recommendation from a Licensing and Ordination Council, composed of ordained minister Charles Poor and ordained deacons, Bob Black, Mark Palmer and Paul Sanders that HFBC should license Skyler Womack to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ. This recommendation follows examination of written and oral responses from Skyler about a wide range of biblically based theological matters. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second and was unanimously approved. A copy of the letter of recommendation is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to use Kirksey Architects and Tellepsen General Contractors to create the plans and do the renovation on the new Downtown building. The recommendation came in the form of a motion from the Finance Committee which carries the weight of a second and was unanimously approved.

Dr. Self presented the following list of names to be approved to serve on various Church Committees beginning April 1, 2017: **Missions Council** – Carissa Robertson; **Personnel Committee** – Paula Batterton; **Selection Committee** – Chris Hawkinson and Janie Neighbors. These recommendations came from the Selection Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second. The motion was unanimously approved.

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


Mary Lyn Langford
Church Clerk

Houston's First Baptist Church
Regular Business Meeting
March 8, 2017

The regular Church Conference of Houston's First Baptist Church was held on this date with Dr. David Self, Executive Pastor, serving as Moderator. Ron P'Pool voiced the opening prayer.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the February 8, 2017 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 January 2017 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. Church membership at the end of January was 29,422. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the report was unanimously accepted. 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 January 2017. Total receipts for the month of January were \$2,384,309 which was \$473,191 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of January were \$2,673,758 which was \$227,694 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second. The Financial Report for the month of January was accepted unanimously 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 recommendation from a Licensing and Ordination Council, composed of ordained minister Charles Poor and ordained deacons, Bill Pierson and Paul Sanders that HFBC license Lance Farrell to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ. This recommendation follows examination of written and oral responses from Lance about a wide range of biblically based theological matters. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second and was unanimously approved. A copy of the letter of recommendation is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented the following list of names to be approved to serve on various Church Committees beginning April 1, 2017: **Safety Committee** - Katherine Mach; **Preschool Committee** – Tim Mabie and Becky Dykes. These recommendations came from the Selection Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second. The motion was unanimously approved.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to proceed on closing on the 1730 Jefferson property and to borrow up to \$3 million, with \$2 million of Stansbury, and \$1 million of General Fund Cash set aside in a dedicated project fund, with the project fund to be used to pay down debt at the Finance Committee's election. The signature of two Church

Trustees is required to execute all legal documents. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second and was unanimously approved. A copy of a legal document titled "Resolutions Authorizing Financing with Bank of America, N.A." was approved and is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

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


Mary Lyn Langford
Church Clerk

Houston's First Baptist Church
Regular Business Meeting
April 5, 2017

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

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the March 8, 2017 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 February 2017 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. Church membership at the end of February was 29,500. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the report was unanimously accepted. 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 February 2017. Total receipts for the month of February were \$2,081,346 which was \$228,842 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of February were \$2,039,346 which was \$853,809 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second. The Financial Report for the month of February was accepted unanimously 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 recommendation from a Licensing and Ordination Council, composed of ordained minister Charles Poor and ordained deacons, Paul Sanders, Jay Paxton and Bob Redweik that HFBC license **Jonathan Huegel** to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ. This recommendation follows examination of written and oral responses from Jonathan about a wide range of biblically based theological matters. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second and was unanimously approved. A copy of the letter of recommendation is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented recommendations from five separate Licensing Councils each coordinated by Charles R. Poor to ordain the following men into the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ: **John Gresham, Peter Lee, Michael Brady, Ameer Omar and Kevin Spivey**. These recommendations follow examination of written and oral responses from Messrs. Gresham, Lee, Brady, Omar and Spivey about a wide range of biblically based theological matters. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the motion 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 presented a recommendation from the New Deacon Committee that the Church approve ordaining Lyndle Jackson at the Deacon Ordination Service on July 30, 2017. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second and was unanimously approved.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to enter into a new 5 year contract with the current copier vendor, American Business Machines, for copiers for all Church locations. The monthly amount for the lease and service is \$6,300. The signature of two Church Trustees is required to execute all legal documents. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second and was unanimously approved.

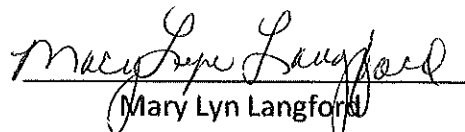
The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to enter into a parking agreement with Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District. The minimum term of the agreement is at least 10 years, and the Church can commit up to \$250,000 of funds from unspent contingency on the Cypress campus project. The Church would have access to approximately 500 school spaces on Saturday and Sunday, while the school would have access to approximately 125 Church spaces during school days. The signature of two Church Trustees is required to execute all legal documents. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second and was unanimously approved.

Dr. Self presented two recommendations from the Selection Committee:

1. That Anthony Brown serve a one-year term on the Selection Committee as a replacement for Travis Hersog.
2. The formation of a Single-Parent Family Committee to serve that ministry.

These recommendations came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second and was unanimously approved.

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


Mary Lyn Langford
Church Clerk

Houston's First Baptist Church
Regular Business Meeting
June 7, 2017

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

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the April 5, 2017 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 months of March & April 2017 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. Church membership at the end of April was 29,600. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the reports were unanimously accepted. A copy of the Conference Report for the above mentioned months is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented the Financial Report for the months of March & April 2017. Total receipts for the month of April were \$2,819,966 which was \$37,535 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of April were \$2,429,836 which was \$154,853 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Reports came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second. The Financial Report for the months of March & April was accepted unanimously 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 from a Licensing and Ordination Council, composed of ordained minister, Charles Poor, and Erick Reed and Craig Bloodworth that HFBC license **Jarret Garber** to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ. This recommendation follows examination of written and oral responses from Jarret about a wide range of biblically based theological matters. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the motion was unanimously accepted. A copy of the letter of recommendation is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the New Deacon Committee that the Church approve ordaining the following men as new deacons: **Victor Bazaldua, Kevin Lee, Steven Chun, Troy Hollister, Jim Cox, Lee Eidson and Blake Vestal; Keith Jacobson and Jeremy Stovall**, both have been previously ordained. **Lance Ferrell**, who was approved to be licensed on March 8, is being recommended to be ordained into the ministry of Jesus Christ. These men will be ordained at the Deacon & Minister Ordination Service on July 30, 2017. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second and was unanimously approved.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation to approve David & Bonnie Self, John & Paige Bolin, Dana & Jaye Martin and Jay Paxton to serve as Messengers of HFBC at the Southern Baptist Convention to be held in Phoenix, AZ on June 13-15, 2017. The recommendation comes from the DAC in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second. The motion was unanimously approved.

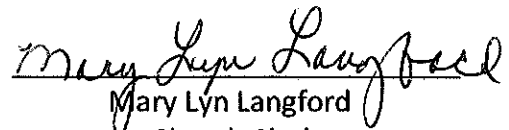
The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee for the Proposed Operating Budget for 2017-2018. The FYE 2018 Budget projects a \$3,237,926 increase in expense with \$1.8 MM or 5.9% increase in giving. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second and was unanimously approved. A copy of a report reflecting the various line items increase/ decrease for the 2017-2018 Operating Budget is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to approve Downtown renovation project budget of \$4.4MM, with funding coming from funds raised in February sermon series giving emphasis. Legal documents require the signature of two Trustees. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second and was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to approve Sienna upstairs renovations at a total project cost not to exceed \$400 K with Crossmark Development & Construction as the General Contractor, with funding coming from General Fund Cash. Legal documents require the signature of two Trustees. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second and was unanimously approved.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the Selection Committee to approve the following church members to serve on the newly approved Single Parent Family Committee: **Kelly Leffingwell, Jeiccy Hakim, Teena Haines, Kelsi Vest, Tyson Gaspard, Connie Schilhab and Dixie Mattingly**. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of 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
August 9, 2017

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

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the June 7, 2017 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.

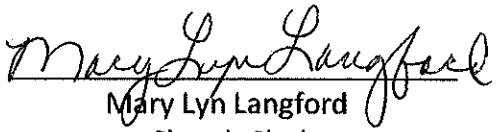
The Church Conference Report for the months of May & June 2017 was presented listing the names of those who have been added to the Church roll since the previous regular meeting, as well as the names of all to whom letters of recommendation have been granted to other churches. Church membership at the end of June was 29,699. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the reports were unanimously accepted. A copy of the Conference Report for the above mentioned months is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented the Financial Report for the months of May & June 2017. Total receipts for the month of June were \$2,083,009 which was \$227,180 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of June were \$3,043,344 which was \$207,806 more than the amount budgeted. The Financial Reports came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second. The Financial Report for the months of May & June was accepted unanimously 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 from the Deacon Administrative Committee to approve executing a July 31st non-binding Letter of Intent with Howard Hughes Corporation to purchase 4 acres adjacent to Cypress Campus at a price of not to exceed \$5.50 per sf (approximately \$958,000). Further authority is granted to allow two Trustees to execute a contract consistent with the terms in the Letter of Intent, with the caveat that the Church will vote on the transaction and funding prior to closing. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second. The motion was unanimously approved.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the Selection Committee to approve the following church members to serve on the newly approved Single Parent Family Committee: **Topher Smith, Anne Freer and Stan Zisman**. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of 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
October 6, 2017

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

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the August 9, 2017 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.

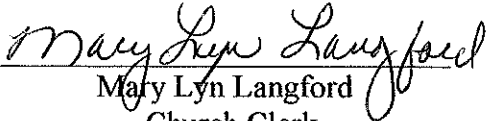
The Church Conference Report for the months of July & August 2017 were presented listing the names of those who have been added to the Church roll since the previous regular meeting, as well as the names of all to whom letters of recommendation have been granted to other churches. Church membership at the end of August was 29,790. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the reports were unanimously accepted. A copy of the Conference Report for the above mentioned months is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented the Financial Report for the months of July & August 2017. Total receipts for the month of August were \$1,820,606 which was \$488,866 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of August were \$2,588,990 which was \$26,682 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Reports came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second. The Financial Report for the months of July & August was accepted unanimously 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 from a Licensing and Ordination Council which was presided over by Jerrell Altic, serving as Chairman, and composed of ordained ministers, Juan Alaniz, Gabriel Ianculovici and David Self that HFBC license **Torrance Wilson** to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ. This recommendation follows examination of written and oral responses from Torrance about a wide range of biblically based theological matters. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the motion was unanimously accepted. A copy of the letter of recommendation is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Deacon Administrative Committee to proceed with a purchase of 4 acres of land adjacent to the current Cypress Campus at a price of \$5.50 per square foot. Funding to come from savings on the Cypress project of approximately \$375,000 and additional borrowing on the existing Cypress loan agreement with those new borrowings not to exceed \$600,000. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of 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