

Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meetings

Jan 10, 2018

Feb 7, 2018

Mar 7, 2018

No Meeting Apr 2018

May 9, 2018

June 6, 2018

No Meeting July 2018

Aug 8, 2018

Sep 5, 2018

Oct 3, 2018

Nov 7, 2018

No Meeting Dec 2018

Houston's First Baptist Church
Regular Business Meeting
January 10, 2018

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.

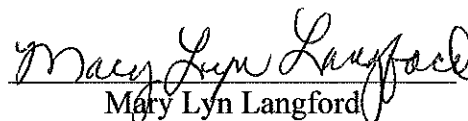
The Moderator stated that the minutes of the October 6, 2017 Church Conference had been posted on the Church's website and paper copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

The Church Conference Report for the months of September, October & November 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 November was 29,871. 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 September, October & November 2017. Total receipts for the month of November were \$2,534,257 which was \$224,785 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of November were \$2,259,977 which was \$355,356 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 September, 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.

Due to the fact that the Church Business meeting scheduled for November 1 was cancelled, it was necessary for the Church to approve the following: Newt Cole served as Messenger at the Baptist General Convention of Texas which was held November 12-14, 2017 in Waco Texas; and Robert Slavens served as Messenger at the Southern Baptist Texas Convention meeting on November 12-14, 2017 in Dallas, TX. 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.


Mary Lyn Langford
Church Clerk

Houston's First Baptist Church
Regular Business Meeting
February 7, 2018

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 January 10, 2018 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 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 December was 29,869. 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 2017. Total receipts for the month of December were \$5,367,287 which was \$551,970 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of December were \$3,027,823 which was \$1,068,067 more than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second. The Financial Report for the month of December was accepted unanimously by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial Report is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from a Licensing Council, composed of ordained ministers' Charles Poor, Doug Bischoff and ordained deacon Paul Sanders, to license Daniel Williams to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ. This recommendation follows examination of written and oral responses from Daniel about a wide range of biblically based theological matters. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the motion was approved. A copy of the letter or recommendation from the Licensing Council is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented recommendations from two Licensing Councils, coordinated by Juan Alaniz, Coordinator, and composed of ordained ministers Doug Bischoff, David Self and ordained deacon Oscar Dominguez, to license Douglas Hernandez and Daniel Devia to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ. These recommendations follow examination of written and oral responses from Douglas and Daniel about a wide range of biblically based theological matters. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the motion was approved. A copy of the letters of recommendation from the Licensing Councils is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a document listing names of those who are recommended by the Selection Committee to serve on the HFBC Church Committees for 2018 and 2019. Dr. Self noted that those who are serving on the newly formed Single-Parent Family Committee have been asked to serve an additional year. The recommendation came in the form of a motion from the Selection Committee and carries the weight of a second. The motion was unanimously approved. A copy of the list 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
March 7, 2018

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

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the February 7, 2018 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.

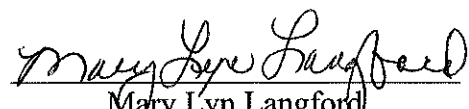
The Church Conference Report for the month of January 2018 was presented listing the names of those who have been added to the Church roll since the previous regular meeting, as well as the names of all to whom letters of recommendation have been granted to other churches. Church membership at the end of January was 29,914. 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 2018. Total receipts for the month of January were \$2,361,276 which was \$73,434 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of January were \$2,109,298 which was \$564,195 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second. The Financial Report for the month of January was accepted unanimously by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial Report is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented the names of HFBC members to be approved to serve as messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention which will be held in Dallas, Texas on June 12-13, 2018. . Upon motion duly made and seconded, they were unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Selection Committee that the following persons be approved to serve on various committees beginning April 1, 2018. The committees and persons are as follows: **Missions:** Joe McClintock, Rob Casper, Clark Reynolds and Terri Toy; ; **Benevolence;** Roxanne Corello; **Selection:** Alecia Mallett; **FBA Board:** Hunter Barrow (Deacon). The recommendation came in the form of a motion from the Selection Committee and carries the weight of its own second. The motion 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 9, 2018

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 7, 2018 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 February & March 2018 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 March was 30,006. 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 February & March 2018. Total receipts for the month of March were \$2,352,381 which was \$82,329 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of March were \$2,738,111 which was \$327,979 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 February & March was accepted unanimously by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial Reports are attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented recommendations from three separate Licensing Councils made up of ordained ministers to license the following men to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ:

Nick Rosenbaum
Christopher McInturff
Omar Calderon

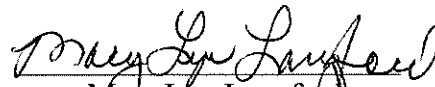
The recommendations follow examination of written and oral responses from each of the three men about a wide range of biblically based theological matters. The recommendations came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second and were unanimously approved. A copy of the letters of recommendation from each Licensing Council is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented recommendations from three separate Licensing & Ordination Councils made up of ordained ministers to ordain the following men to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ:

Jarret Garber
Ameer Omar
Skyler Womack

The recommendations follow examination of written and oral responses from each of the three men about a wide range of biblically based theological matters. Moreover, the candidate's personal behavior and interpersonal relations have been under observation and were found to be consistent with scriptural guidelines related to ordination. The recommendations came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second and were unanimously approved. A copy of the letters of recommendation from each Licensing & Ordination 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.


Mary Lyn Langford
Church Clerk

Houston's First Baptist Church
Regular Business Meeting
June 6, 2018

The regular Church Conference of Houston's First Baptist Church was held on this date with Mr. Chad Hamm, Director of Operations, serving as Moderator. Ron P'Pool voiced the opening prayer.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the May 5, 2018 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 April 2018 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 30,090. 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 April 2018. Total receipts for the month of April were \$2,727,484 which was \$302,512 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of April were \$2,339,101 which was \$282,345 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second. The Financial Report for the month of April was accepted unanimously by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial Report is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee for the Proposed Operating Budget for 2018-2019. The amount of the proposed budget FYE 2019 is \$32,361,639. The recommendation came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second. The motion was unanimously approved. A copy of Houston's First Baptist Church Operating Budget for FYE 2019 comparing the previous year's budget showing the increase/decrease for various line items is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Hamm presented recommendations from two separate Licensing Councils made up of ordained ministers and deacons to ordain Daniel Williams and Douglas Hernandez to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ. The recommendations follow examination of written and oral responses from each of the men about a wide range of biblically based theological matters. Moreover, the candidate's personal behavior and interpersonal relations have been under observation and were found to be consistent with scriptural guidelines related to ordination. The recommendations came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second and were unanimously approved. A copy of the letters of recommendation from each Licensing Council is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

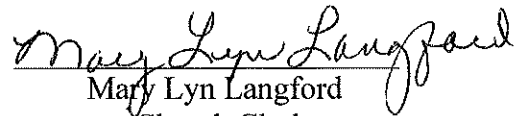
The Moderator stated that at the March 7 business meeting Gregg & Kelly Matte, Dana & Jaye Martin, Jay Paxton, Jamie Green & Mike Green were approved to serve as messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention of Texas which will be in Dallas, TX June 12-13, 2018. Mr. Hamm presented a recommendation that John Bolin, Beau Parker, Josh Ganjavi, Carole Lewis and Margaret Lloyd also be approved to serve representing HFBC at the SBTC. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the recommendation was unanimously approved.

Mr. Hamm presented a recommendation from the Finance and Facilities Committees to approve Kilgore as our contractor to complete Phase II of our Central Plant Chiller project at a total project cost not to exceed \$925,000. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries its own second and was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to proceed with South Tex at a price of \$206,200 for the West parking lot repaving project, with at a not to exceed total project cost of \$225,000 and with funding coming from the Unspent Capital Improvements Project Fund. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second and was unanimously approved.

Mr. Hamm presented a recommendation for approval of Cliff Bryant for financial signing authority (including but not limited to check signing, bank transfer of funds, and Stock transfer powers) in his capacity as Financial Services Director. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the recommendation was unanimously approved.

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


Mary Lyn Langford
Church Clerk

Houston's First Baptist Church
Regular Business Meeting
August 8, 2018

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

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the June 6, 2018 Church Conference had been posted on the Church's website and paper copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. It was noted that the minutes incorrectly mentioned Messengers were approved to represent HFBC at the Southern Baptist Convention of Texas. This should have read Southern Baptist Convention. Upon motion duly made and seconded, with this correction, the minutes were approved.

The Church Conference Report for the months of May & June 2018 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 30,167. 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 month of May & June 2018. Total receipts for the month of June were \$2,366,331 which was \$68,379 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of June were \$3,609,004 which was \$916,610 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 month of May & June was accepted unanimously by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial report for May and June is attached and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from a Licensing Council chaired by Rev. Lee Hsia and composed of ordained ministers Derek Neese and David Self and ordained deacon, Johnny Harper, to license Richard Raymond Ponce II to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ. The recommendation follows examination of written and oral responses from Mr. Ponce 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 from the Licensing Council is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee, to approve a 3-year lease renewal for Harwin Faith Center. The lease would be signed by two Church Trustees. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second, and was unanimously approved.

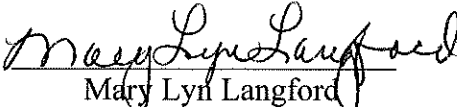
Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to approve a 3-year contract with Aerial Experience for 2018, 2019 & 2020 for the Celebration program. The contract will require the signatures of two Trustees. The recommendation came in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second, and was approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation granting David Self or Chad Hamm authority to execute an electricity contract for up to 60 months for all HFBC owned real estate at or below our current rate. The recommendation came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of a second. The motion was approved.

The following two statements which were for information only were read by Dr. Self:

1. *“The church submitted a claim to Brotherhood Insurance against our employee fraud insurance policy. We received a payment of \$500,000 in June. This claim was submitted due to a former employee’s misappropriation of church funds. As a requirement of our insurance policy, local authorities were notified and are currently reviewing the matter.”*
2. *“Prior to Dr. John R. Bisagno’s retirement a Whole Life Insurance Policy was taken out for him. At his retirement the Key Man Policy was kept in force. Following his death, the church is to receive \$600,000.”*

There being no further business to come before the Congregation, the meeting was adjourned.
Pastor Gregg voiced the closing prayer after he made some closing comments.


Mary Lyn Langford
Church Clerk

Houston's First Baptist Church
Regular Business Meeting
September 5, 2018


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 August 8, 2018 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 2018 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 July was 30,194. 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 July 2018. Total receipts for the month of July were \$2,843,140 which was \$72,280 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of July were \$2,276,652 which was \$708,171 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second. The Financial Report for the month of July was accepted unanimously by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial report for July is attached and made a part of these minutes.

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



Mary Lynn Langford
Church Clerk

Houston's First Baptist Church
Regular Business Meeting
October 3, 2018

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.

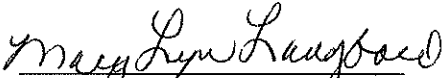
The Moderator stated that the minutes of the September 5, 2018 Church Conference had been posted on the Church's website and paper copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

The Church Conference Report for the month of August 2018 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 August was 30,231. 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 August 2018. Total receipts for the month of August were \$2,291,926 which was \$59,711 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of August were \$2,828,781 which was \$35,628 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second. The Financial Report for the month of August was accepted unanimously by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial report for August is attached and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation to approve Robert & Jennifer Slavens to serve as Messengers for the Southern Baptist of Texas Convention to be held in Houston, Texas on November 12-13, 2018; and to authorize the Pastor to fill the remaining HFBC quota. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the recommendation 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
November 7, 2018

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.

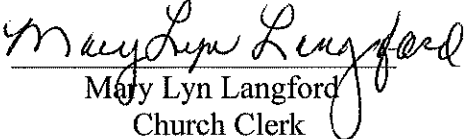
The Moderator stated that the minutes of the October 3, 2018 Church Conference had been posted on the Church's website and paper copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

The Church Conference Report for the month of September 2018 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 September was 30,318. 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 September 2018. Total receipts for the month of September were \$2,464,862 which was \$450,559 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of September were \$2,329,130 which was \$488,749 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries the weight of its own second. The Financial Report for the month of September was accepted unanimously by a voice vote. A copy of the Financial report for September is attached and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self stated that at the October 3 business meeting the Church authorized Pastor Gregg Matte to name additional HFBC members to serve as Messengers to the Southern Baptist of Texas Convention to be held in Houston, Texas on November 12-13, 2018. Mr. Jeremy Stovall's name has been added to the list.

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


Mary Lyn Langford
Church Clerk