

Houston's First Baptist Church
Regular Business Meeting
February 7, 2024

The regular Church Conference of Houston's First Baptist Church was held in person and online on this date with Dr. Stephen Trammell serving as Moderator. A prayer ended the Deacon's Meeting and began the Church Conference.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the January 10, 2024 Church Conference had been distributed in paper form and will be posted on the Church's website. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the January 26, 2024 Special Called Business Meeting had been distributed in paper form and will be posted on the Church's website. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

Dr. Trammell presented the Church Conference (Membership) Report for the month of December 2023, 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 33,305. The Church Conference Report comes in the form of a motion from the Deacon Administrative Committee, which carries the weight of a second, and it 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 Reports for the months of November and December 2023. Total receipts for the month of December were \$3,276,013 which was \$296,635 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of December were \$3,429,913 which was \$233,543 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Reports come in the form of a motion from the Finance Committee, carry the weight of a second, and were accepted unanimously. A copy of the Financial Reports for the above mentioned months is attached to and made a part of these minutes.


Dr. Trammell presented a recommendation that HFBC license Ethan Schifelbein and Reilly McCleskey to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ. This recommendation comes from a Licensing Council composed of ordained ministers Jarret Garber, Brandon Ayers and Hunter Mullennix and ordained deacon Dewayne Ashdown, and it carries the weight of a second. The recommendation was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a motion to approve the following Committee Nominations:

Emma Knowles – Selection 26b2
Robert Lankford – Facilities 24b2
Roger Reynolds – FRC 26b
Marvin McNeese – Missions 24c2 and 27b
Lisa Bedford – Missions 24c2 and 27b
Catherine Martinez – Scholarship 26b
James McSwain – Scholarship 26a
Chad Roberts – Selection 27a
Alicia Hudson – Selection 27b

This motion carries its own second and was unanimously approved.

There was no further business to come before the Congregation. Dr. Trammell led in a closing prayer, and the meeting was adjourned.


Cindy Haskett
Church Clerk