

**Houston's First Baptist Church**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**March 8, 2023**

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. Brandon Burke lead in prayer to end the Deacon's Meeting and begin the Church Conference.


The Moderator stated that the minutes of the February 1, 2023 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.

Dr. Trammell presented the Church Conference Report for the month of January 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 January was 32,471. 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 Report for the month of January, 2023. Total receipts for the month of January were \$2,932,823 which was \$119,191 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of January were \$2,630,572 which was \$466,496 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Report comes in the form of a motion from the Finance Committee, which carries the weight of a second, and it was accepted unanimously. A copy of the Financial Report for the above mentioned month is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Trammell presented a motion to enter into a lease with Trinity Classical School (TCS) for the Faith Center Spring Branch main building with the following terms: A one-time payment of \$350,000 from TCS in exchange for a 10-year lease. In addition, if at the end of the 10-year lease both parties are mutually agreeable to a 5-year extension, TCS would pay an additional \$150,000 for the 5-year extension term. Additional 5-year extensions could keep occurring into the future for \$150,000 payments, assuming it was mutually agreeable to both parties. The one-time payment, and any recurring extension payments, would be set aside in a Missions project account for Faith Center Spring Branch building improvements. Building operating expenses will be charged monthly to TCS on a pro-rata basis. This motion comes from the Missions Council and the Finance Committee and carries the weight of a second. It was approved unanimously.

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