### Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting January 12, 2014

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

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the November 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 Church Conference Report for the months of October and November, 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 reports were unanimously accepted as presented. Church membership at the end of November was 27,063. 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 and November, 2013. Total receipts for the month of November were \$1,891,458.16 which was \$1,876.16 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of November were \$1,728,312.78 which was \$279,882.45 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Reports came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The Financial Report for the month of October and November was 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 motion from the Finance Committee to sell the undeveloped property of approximately 3.9 acres that the Church owns at 7935 Fuqua Street, Houston, TX 77075 at a price of \$300,000. Legal documents may be authorized by the signature of two Trustees. The motion carries 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 February 9, 2014

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

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the January 12, 2014 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, 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 December was 27,089. 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, 2013. Total receipts for the month of December were \$2,344,421.28 which was \$10,684.12 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of December were \$1,340,080.62 which was \$52,458.09 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 to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a motion from the Deacon Administrative Committee to form Cypress Team 54:2 (Building Committee) naming the following people to serve:

Lonnie Hamilton, Chairman

Alecia Mallett

**Brandon Burk** 

Stephanie Quisenberry

Laurie Hopmann

**Robert Slavens** 

Rene Joubert

Jeremy Stovall

The motion came from a standing committee which carries its own second and was unanimously approved.

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

√lary Lyn Langford

Church Clerk

### Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting March 9, 2014

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 Matte voiced the opening prayer.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the February 9, 2014 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, 2014 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 January was 27,173. 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, 2014. Total receipts for the month of January were \$1,929,228.83 which was \$35,894.51 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of January were \$738,465.07 which was \$135,260.98 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 January 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 recommendation from the Finance Committee to approve a total project budget of \$2.7MM for the renovation of 3 North, Special Needs, and the replacement of old ceiling tiles, lighting, and hot water pipe in hallways and offices with old ceilings. Also included in this motion is approval of Merriman Holt as the Architect and Tellepsen as the General Contractor. Relevant 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 recommendations from two separate Licensing Councils each Coordinated by Charles R. Poor to license Tony Bianco and Martin Gonzalez to the gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ. This recommendation follows examination of written and oral responses from Messrs. Bianco and Gonzalez about a wide range of biblically based theological matters. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the motion was approved. A copy of the letter of recommendation from each Licensing Council is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the Selection Committee naming those persons to be placed on the Church Committees beginning April 1, 2014 and serving through March, 2017. The recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved. A copy of the list as presented is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented a motion from the Selection Committee to change the Fitness Recreation Committee from A level to B level committee. B level committees do not require a deacon serve as chairman. The motion carries its own second and was approved.

Dr. Self made available an information sheet with both pictorial and printed facts about the Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists and how funds are disbursed.

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 6, 2014

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

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the March 9, 2014 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, 2014 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 27,246. 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, 2014. Total receipts for the month of February were \$1,901,298.43 which was \$7,964.11 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of February were \$1,760,829.21 which was \$113,635.54 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 to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion to approve the purchase of 1.27 acres and building in Sienna at a price of \$4,310,000. Furthermore, the motion approves the purchase of two additional pad sites at a not to exceed combined price of \$1,043,174, resulting in a grand total price for the building and all alnd not to exceed \$5,353,174. Funding will be \$2MM of Stansbury funds, with the remaining funds coming from the unallocated "Our City" portion of excess MISSION 1:8 funds. Necessary legal documents will be authorized by two trustees. The motion carried the weight of its own second. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Selection Committee to complete the list for new committee members with the following:

Kevin Jordan – Mission Committee Anthony Brown – Selection Committee Bob Matthews – Finance Committee

The recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second and was approved.

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

Mary Lyn Langford

# Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting May 4, 2014

The regular business meeting of Houston's First Baptist Church was held on this date at the Sienna Campus, 4309 Sienna Parkway, Missouri City, TX. Dr. David Self, Executive Pastor, served as Moderator. Bill Rademacher voiced the opening prayer.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the April 6, 2014 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 March, 2014 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 27,319. 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 March, 2014. Total receipts for the month of March were \$2,365,909.52 which was \$10,804.12 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of March were \$1,902,396.88 which was \$122,783.04 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 to and made a part of these minutes.

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 Baltimore, MD June 10-11, 2014. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the motion was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Selection Committee to approve Allen O'Neal to serve the remaining one year of an unexpired term on the Personnel Committee. The recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second and was approved.

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

Following the business meeting those who wanted to see the Sienna Campus were given a tour of the facility.

Mary Lyn Langford

Church Clerk

### Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting June 1, 2014

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

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the May 4, 2014 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, 2014 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 27,379. 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, 2014. Total receipts for the month of April were \$1,889,921.41 which was \$3,412.91 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of April were \$1,857,113.08 which was \$133,202.72 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 April 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 recommendation from the Finance Committee to approve the proposed Operating Budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2015. The amount of the proposed budget is \$27,077,096. The recommendation came from the Finance Committee in the form of a motion which carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved. A copy of Houston's First Baptist Church Operating Budget for FYE June 30, 2015 comparing the previous year's budget showing the increase/decrease for various line items is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented three recommendations from the Finance Committee, Deacon Administrative Committee and the Deacon Body relative to the Cypress – First Church site. Each recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The motions are as follows:

- "Motion to purchase 35 acres in Bridgeland just east of the Grand Parkway at a price of \$7.51 MM. This contract will have a 180 day feasibility period and 60 day closing period prior to closing and will require a \$50,000 earnest money deposit." Motion was unanimously approved.
- "Motion to approve Kirksey as the architect for the master plan and Phase I architectural work
  of Cypress Campus at a not to exceed contract cost of \$1.31 million, based on a not to exceed
  construction cost of \$17.5 MM with fees paid as services are rendered." Motion was
  unanimously approved.
- "Motion to grant authority to Team 54:2 to select a General Contractor and enter into a contract with such contractor for Pre-Construction services not to exceed \$100,000. A

Guaranteed Maximum Price will be brought back to the Church for final approval." Motion was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee which came in the form of a motion and carries its own second. A motion that, Bryan Kamp, serving in the capacity of Financial Services Director, be authorized to have signing authority (including, but not limited to check signing, bank transfer of funds, and stock transfer powers) in his respective capacity. The motion was unanimously approved.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from Charles Poor, Licensing and Ordination Coordinator, that HFBC license Ron P'Pool to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ. This recommendation follows examination of written and oral responses from Ron 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 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented recommendations from three separate Licensing Councils each coordinated by Charles Poor to ordain the following men to the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ:

- Brad Talbert
- Martin Gonzalez
- Derek Nease

The recommendations follow 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 recommendations were unanimously approved. A copy of the letter of recommendation from each Licensing Council is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the New Deacon Committee to approve the following men to be ordained as Deacons:

Keith Conn

Previously ordained:

**David Gober** 

Alan Stumbaugh

Alan Durham

Dr. Richard Dockins

The recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved.

Dr. Poor announced there would be a special combined ordination service to ordain the new ministers and new deacons to be held in the chapel on Sunday, June 29 at 8:00 a.m.

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

lary Lyn Langford

Church Clerk

### Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting August 3, 2014

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

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the June 1, 2014 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 and June, 2014 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 June was 27,491. 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, 2014. Total receipts for the month of May were \$1,915,598.00 which was \$22,263.68 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of May were \$2,014,875.73 which was \$58,368.44 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 May 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 recommendation from the Finance Committee to use General Fund Cash to purchase a 45,259 square foot tract in Sienna at a not to exceed price of \$9.50 per square foot which translates to a not to exceed total of \$429,960. In addition, the Finance Committee approved due diligence costs not to exceed \$10,000. The closing of this purchase contract is contingent upon Church approval at the August 3, 2014 Church Conference and requires 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.

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

# Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting September 7, 2014

The regular business meeting 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 3, 2014 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, 2014 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 27,544. 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 June and July, 2014. Total receipts for the month of July were \$2,115,935.40 which was \$71.35 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of July were \$2,054,497.34 which was \$430,455.68 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 June and July was 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 from the Finance Committee to receive the asset located at 924 Damon Court and authorization to sell asset and share proceeds as agreed with Wayne King, Co-owner, upon obtaining release from Mr. King. Relevant documents 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.

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

/lary Lyn Langford

#### Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting October 5, 2014

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

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the September 7, 2014 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, 2014 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 27,643. 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, 2014. Total receipts for the month of August were \$2,646,623.30 which was \$12,642.02 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of August were \$1,985,692.85 which was \$270,486.62 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 August 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 recommendation from the Finance Committee to approve and fund a budget for the Spanish Campus through FYE 2015. The recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second. The Motion is to approve and fund a budget of \$329,813 for FYE 2015. \$170 K to come from unspent Sienna funds and balance to come from unspent "Our City" funds from Mission 1:8. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation to elect Paul Sanders and John Brunson to serve as Messengers representing Houston's first Baptist Church at the Southern Baptist Texas Convention to be held November 9-10, 2014 in Fort Worth, Texas. He also requested the Church authorize Pastor Gregg Matte to appoint additional 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.

Dr. Self presented a recommendation from the Deacon Administrative Committee that Marc Kohler should be licensed as a Minister of the Gospel. The recommendation came in the

form of a motion and carries its own second. The motion was unanimously approved. Dr. Self presented Marc with a framed copy of a License Certificate.

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

Mary Lyn Langford

∕Church Clerk

## Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting November 2, 2014

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

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the October 5, 2014 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, 2014 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 27,758. 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, 2014. Total receipts for the month of September were \$2,117,452.75 which was \$1,588.66 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of September were \$2,057,150.41 which was \$184,668.41 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 recommendation from the Selection Committee that Clark Reynolds and Kathy Bacy be approved to serve on the Mission Council. The recommendation came in the form of a motion and carries its own second and was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a recommendation from the Deacon Administrative Committee that the Church grant authority to the Finance Committee to approve a contract for High Definition Broadcast Equipment at a cost not to exceed \$1,000,000 with funding coming from available funds. 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. Dr. Self voiced the closing prayer.

Mary Lyn Langford

Church Clerk