# Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting January 13, 2021

The regular Church Conference of Houston's First Baptist Church was held in person and online on this date with Dr. David Self serving as Moderator. Rob Jensen's prayer at the end of the Deacon's meeting served as the beginning of the Church Conference.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the November 4, 2020 Church Conference had been distributed online and will be posted on the Church's website. Hard copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

Dr. Self presented the Financial Reports for the months of October and November 2020. Total receipts for the month of November were \$2,520,219 which was \$395,931 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of November were \$2,465,150 which was \$300,374 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Reports come in the form of a motion from the Finance Committee, which carries the weight of a second, and they were accepted unanimously. Copies of the Financial Reports for the above mentioned months are attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Church Conference Reports for the months of October and November 2020 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 31,165. The Church Conference Reports come in the form of a motion from the Deacon Administrative Committee, which carries the weight of a second, and they were unanimously accepted. Copies of the Conference Reports for the above mentioned months are attached to and made a part of these minutes.

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

# Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting February 3, 2021

The regular Church Conference of Houston's First Baptist Church was held in person and online on this date with Dr. David Self serving as Moderator. Marvin McNease's prayer at the end of the Deacon's meeting served as the beginning of the Church Conference.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the January 13, 2021 Church Conference had been distributed online and will be posted on the Church's website. Hard copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

Dr. Self presented the Financial Report for the month of December 2020. Total receipts for the month of December were \$6,258,221 which was \$1,702,872 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of December were \$2,434.904 which was \$227,983 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.

The Moderator presented the Church Conference Report for the month of December 2020, 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 31,193. 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.

Dr. Self presented a motion to appoint Patricia Martin to the Finance Committee for a term ending 2023 and to appoint Mickey Macaluso to the Single Parent Families Committee for a term ending 2022. This motion comes from the Selection Committee and carries the force of a second. It was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a motion to approve Mike and Jamie Green, Gregg and Kelly Matte, and Clark and Michelle Reynolds as messengers to represent Houston's First Baptist Church at the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville, Tennessee June 13-16, 2021. The motion was made and seconded, and it was unanimously approved.

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

## Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting March 3, 2021

The regular Church Conference of Houston's First Baptist Church was held in person and online on this date with Dr. David Self serving as Moderator. Tim Timpani's prayer at the end of the Deacon's meeting served as the beginning of the Church Conference.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the February 3, 2021 Church Conference had been distributed online and will be posted on the Church's website. Hard copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

The Moderator presented the Church Conference Report for the month of January 2021, 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 31,206. 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.

Dr. Self presented the Financial Report for the month of January 2021. Total receipts for the month of January were \$1,862,115 which was \$1,054,035 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of January were \$2,501,347 which was \$151,540 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. Self presented a motion to approve new Selection Committee members. They are as follows:

Personnel -

Tuck Hendley – filling remainder of 3 year term

Facilities -

Donna Schmidt

Troy Hammerstrom

Darren Barlow

Selection -

Terence Barnes

**Brad Simcik** 

Heather Simpson

SPF-

Dan Currie

Leah Fiedler

Earl Touchstone

FRC-

Rosa Waters

David Trickett

This motion comes from the Selection Committee, was approved by the Deacon body, and carries the weight of a second, and was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a motion to enter into a contract to sell the Church's property at 9920 Long Point Road (Woodhaven property). Two Trustees may sign all documentation related to entering into this contract and all documents requiring signature at closing. This motion was approved by the Deacon body and carries the weight of a second. It was approved unanimously.

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

Cindy Waskett
Cindy Haskett

Church Clerk

## Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting April 7, 2021

The regular Church Conference of Houston's First Baptist Church was held in person and online on this date with Dr. David Self serving as Moderator. Steve Klein's prayer at the end of the Deacon's meeting served as the beginning of the Church Conference.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the March 3, 2021 Church Conference had been distributed online and will be posted on the Church's website. Hard copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Dr. Self presented a motion to correct the section of the minutes regarding new committee members.

- The beginning sentence should read: "Dr. Self presented a motion to approve the following new committee members".
- Heather Simpson's correct name is Heather Henson.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes as corrected were approved.

Dr. Self presented the Financial Report for the month of February 2021. Total receipts for the month of February were \$2,073,423 which was \$266,947 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of February were \$2,665,655 which was \$375,232 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.

The Moderator presented the Church Conference Report for the month of February 2021, 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 31,241. 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.

Dr. Self presented a motion to approve Jay Paxton, Carole Lewis, Jaye and Dana Martin, and Ian and Katie Brou as additional messengers to the annual meeting of the SBC in Nashville. This makes a total of twelve messengers from Houston's First Baptist Church. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the motion was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a motion to approve new committee members. They are as follows:

Missions - Ken Kapp
Briceon Wiley
Sarah Coors
Anna Hasselbring
Rachel Hannusch

Personnel - Doug Morgan (2-year term ending 2023)

Ryan McPhetridge Chris Harless Sharon Ragsdale

Finance - Lang Motes

Zach Ressler Susannah Abbott

Laurie Landrum (term ending 2022)

Facilities - Megan Polis Benevolence - Carol Pierce

Richard Fedorchik

Bill Haskett

Scholarship - Katie Sproule

Alex Phillips

This motion comes from the Selection Committee, was approved by the Deacon body, carries the weight of a second, and was unanimously approved.

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

## Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting May 5, 2021

The regular Church Conference of Houston's First Baptist Church was held in person and online on this date with Dr. David Self serving as Moderator. Victor Bazaldua's prayer at the end of the Deacon's meeting served as the beginning of the Church Conference.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the April 7, 2021 Church Conference had been distributed online and will be posted on the Church's website. Hard copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

Dr. Self presented the Financial Report for the month of March 2021. Total receipts for the month of March were \$2,534,817 which was \$194,447 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of March were \$2,134,802 which was \$528,085 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.

The Moderator presented the Church Conference Report for the month of March 2021, 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 31,251. 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.

Dr. Self present a motion from the Missions Council to enter into a contract with Axis Builders LLC in the amount of \$504,000 for renovations related to the Faith Center Spring Branch Chapel. Permission is requested to have two Trustees execute this contract. This motion carries the weight of a second and was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a motion to approve these new committee members:

Facilities - Alicia Rife

Safety - Kurt Nelson

**Courtney Farley** 

FBA Board - Marvin McNeese

Cory Mizell

This motion comes from the Selection Committee, was approved by the Deacon body, and carries the weight of a second. The motion was unanimously approved.

Dr. Self announced that Jaye and Dana Martin and Carole Lewis will not be able to attend the annual meeting of the SBC as messengers of HFBC. This meeting will be in Nashville in June. Anyone interested in going should see Pam Collins.

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

Cindy Naskett
Cindy Haskett
Church Clerk

#### Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting June 2, 2021

The regular Church Conference of Houston's First Baptist Church was held in person and online on this date with Dr. David Self serving as Moderator. Darryl Taylor's prayer at the end of the Deacon's meeting served as the beginning of the Church Conference.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the May 5, 2021 Church Conference had been distributed online and will be posted on the Church's website. Hard copies were provided with other reports for this meeting. One correction was given, and the spelling of Marvin McNeese's name has been corrected. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

Dr. Self presented the Financial Report for the month of April 2021. Total receipts for the month of April were \$2,074,180 which was \$266,190 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of April were \$2,376,891 which was \$223,496 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.

The Moderator presented the Church Conference Report for the month of April 2021, 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 31,327. 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 budget has been presented in print, electronically, and verbally. It comes as a motion from the Finance Committee and carries its own second. The budget for fiscal year end 2022 was approved unanimously.

Dr. Self presented a motion to approve a total project cost of \$7.6 million for the renovations of the Fellowship Hall, bathrooms, Oasis, and Youth area. In addition, approval to enter into contracts with Brookstone, the contractor of the renovations, in amount not to exceed a guaranteed maximum price of \$5.73 million. Documents may be approved by two trustees. This motion comes from the Finance Committee and carries the weight of a second. The motion was accepted unanimously.

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

Cindy Nashett
Cindy Haskett
Church Clerk

## Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting September 8, 2021

The regular Church Conference of Houston's First Baptist Church was held in person and online on this date with Dr. David Self serving as Moderator. Brad Simcik's prayer at the end of the Deacon's meeting served as the beginning of the Church Conference.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the June 2, 2021 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. Self presented the Financial Reports for the months of May, June, and July 2021. Total receipts for the month of July were \$2,344,493 which was \$161,410 more than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of July were \$2,403,914 which was \$320,580 less than the amount budgeted. The Financial Reports come in the form of a motion from the Finance Committee, which carries the weight of a second, and they were accepted unanimously. Copies of the Financial Reports for the above mentioned months are attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Moderator presented the Church Conference Reports for the months of May, June, and July 2021, 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 31,428. The Church Conference Reports come in the form of a motion from the Deacon Administrative Committee, which carries the weight of a second, and they were unanimously accepted. Copies of the Conference Reports for the above mentioned months are attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Self presented a motion to approve Stephen Trammell, in his capacity as Executive Pastor, to be the Registered Agent with the State of Texas. This motion comes from the Deacon body, carries the weight of a second, and was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a motion to provide Stephen Trammell, in his capacity as Executive Pastor, with financial signing authority, including, but not limited to, check signing, bank transfer of funds, and stock transfer powers. This motion comes from the Deacon body, carries the weight of a second, and was approved unanimously.

Dr. Self presented a motion to approve a fourth amendment to the 701 N. Post Oak lease (Lafayette Garage), extending the lease period to October 2021 through September 2026. The payment for October 2021 through September 2023 will not exceed \$5,500 per month. The payment for October 2023 through September 2026 will not exceed \$5,600 per month. Two trustees are authorized to sign the contract. This motion comes from the Finance Committee, carries the weight of a second, and was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a motion to execute a contract for Audio, Video, and Lighting for the Lawn at the Loop, at a not to exceed price of \$470,000. Two trustees are authorized to sign relevant contracts. This motion comes from the Finance Committee, carries the weight of a second, and was approved unanimously.

Dr. Self presented a motion to approve the following committee nominations:

- Personnel Committee Lisa Slattery, to complete a term ending in 2023
- Missions Council Lonnie Hamilton, to complete a term ending in 2022
   Ashley Hott, to complete a term ending in 2024

This motion comes from the Selection Committee, carries the weight of a second, and was unanimously approved.

The Moderator presented a motion to confirm the ordination of four Deacons:

- Michael Castro Loop campus
- Corey Chen Loop campus
- Mike Jones Loop campus
- Beau Parker Cypress campus

This motion comes from the Deacon body, carries the weight of a second, and was approved unanimously.

Dr. Self presented a motion to confirm the ordination of Brady Sharp to the Gospel Ministry. This motion comes from the Deacon body, carries the weight of a second, and was unanimously approved.

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

## Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting October 6, 2021

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. Brian Burk's prayer at the end of the Deacon's meeting served as the beginning of the Church Conference.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the September 8, 2021 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 Financial Report for the month of August 2021. Total receipts for the month of August were \$2,528,849 which was \$190,693 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of August were \$2,543,149 which was \$535,190 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.

The Moderator presented the Church Conference Report for the month of August 2021, 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 31,475. 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.

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

Cindy Haskett
Cindy Haskett
Church Clerk

## Houston's First Baptist Church Regular Business Meeting November 3, 2021

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. Ron P'Poole's prayer at the end of the Deacon's meeting served as the beginning of the Church Conference.

The Moderator stated that the minutes of the October 6, 2021 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 Financial Report for the month of September 2021. Total receipts for the month of September were \$1,944,937 which was \$238,147 less than what had been budgeted. Total expenses for the month of September were \$2,495,367 which was \$299,553 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.

The Moderator presented the Church Conference Report for the month of September 2021, 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 31,579. 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.

Dr. Trammell presented a motion to approve a total project cost for the Sienna campus expansion not to exceed \$21.6 million, with permission to enter into a contract with Kirksey Architects for a fee of 7.0%, which equates to \$1.137 million based on an estimated construction cost of \$16.24 million. Two trustees are authorized to sign the contract. This motion from the Finance Committee was approved at their 10.27.21 meeting, carries the weight of a second, and was approved unanimously.

The Moderator presented a motion to enter into a contract with Worlds of Wow at a not to exceed price of \$250,000. This will be for a new indoor playground for the Fitness and Recreation Center. Funding will come from donations to Kainos. Two trustees are authorized to sign the contract. This motion from the Finance Committee was approved at their 10.27.21 meeting, carries the weight of a second, and was approved unanimously.

Dr. Trammell presented a motion to sell property at 7614 Wedgewood Lane, Houston, TX 77055 based on staff endeavoring to sell at a fair market price. Two trustees are authorized to execute all necessary documents to sell the property. This motion comes from the Deacon body, carries the weight of a second, and was approved unanimously.