

**Xiong United Association of Sacramento, Inc**  
**General meeting w./Board of Directors n advisors**

Meeting Minutes/Synopsis

9/15/2016

6:30pm

2751 Fruitridge Rd., Suite 12

Sacramento, CA

**1. Roll Call**

**Present:** Nhiabee K. Xiong, Tommy K. Xiong, Larry Ma Xiong, Chai Pov Xiong, Cha Fong Xiong, Lee Xiong, Vue Xiong, Richard Xiong, May Cha-Xiong

**Absent:** Shannon Lee, Victor Neng Xiong, Luexa Xiong, Rock Xiong, Ze Xiong, Sony Xiong, Charlie Xiong, Vameng Xiong, Norbee Xiong,

**2. Action/Discussion Items:** Election, XUAS New Year Banquet, SHNY, XUAS non-profit status, XUAS (members update)

Ms. May Cha welcome the board members to the meeting and provided an overview of the agenda for discussion tonight.

Mr. Tommy Xiong (president) takes the lead on the upcoming election discussion. Mr. Tommy brief the members on the history of XUAS and provided the board with upcoming information on the election for a new president.

The applications were distributed among the participants and asked that they share the information about the upcoming election for XUAS's new president with their specific group members. The position is open to all who are 18 and older and has the qualifications and experience that meets the job requirements.

The deadline for the return application is set to be on October 31, 2016 at midnight (12:00am). Any application received afterward will not be accepted.

The election time, date, and place will be determined on a later date. The officers will inform the board when it has been decided.

Mr. Tommy clarified that only members in Sacramento County can run for the position and can vote. Only those who are 18 years and older can vote and must be a person with the Xiong last name only. A young woman, who is a Xiong but married to another and has obtained a different last name under her husband may not vote.

Mr. Tommy encouraged all members who are qualified to send in their application. Mr. Tommy motioned to end this discussion and move to the next topic. Mr. Nhiabee seconded the motion.

Mr. Tommy informed the board members that XUAS new year banquet is a necessary event that XUAS holds every year for the last three years. This banquet's purpose is to bring all

the Xiong families far and near to come together to build a stronger united in the Xiong clan. The time and place has been determined. It is schedule for November 25, 2016 at 6:00pm. The location is at the Holiday Villa Restaurant. The restaurant has the capacity to hold up to 400 people. Reason why XUAS host its event at this restaurant is because one of our member has a good relationship with the restaurant and is able to negotiate for price that we can afford.

Mr. Tommy asked that the participants please communicate this information to their group members and start asking for donation to help make this event a success. In the past, XUAS board members (BOD and BOA), each contributed a \$100 as well as the officers to make this event a success. The community members also donated funds as well as local business. This year XUAS would like to ask the group leaders and BOD, BOA, and the officers to do the same but he also reminded everyone that it's simply a donation so do not feel obligated and please don't feel withdraw from attending the event due to the fact that one cannot contribute to this event.

Tommy asked the participants to think about who will be leading this event. The participants feel that since it is last term for XUAS current team, they would like to see the officers take the lead. Mr. Tommy will call for another meeting to inform the BOD once the planning is in place and will need the support of all BOD and BOA. This concluded the discussion for XUAS new year banquet till further notice.

Mr. Nhiabee (vice-president) open discussion on the changes of Sacramento Hmong New Year (SHNY). Mr. Nhiabee update the participants as to what kind of changes took place in that organization and why the changes. Currently, there is a new president and a new group of officers has been form. SHNY is short of people in their organization because of this change. They will need as much help as they can get. They had announced at the Hmong radio seeking for volunteers to help with the Sacramento New Year this year but not sure what kind of response they got at the moment. They have requested for XUAS to send in two people, one to serve on their board of director and the other to serve on their advisory board. XUAS has already appointed these two people, and it is Mr. Richard Xiong for the board of director and Mr. Songvue Xiong for the Advisory board. Mr. Nhiabee and Mr. Tommy encouraged Mr. Richard and Songvue to put forth their best and to let XUAS know if they need help with anything. XUAS will stand behind them as they are our representatives. This end the discussion for this topic.

Ms. May Cha – Xiong gave an update on the current status of XUAS. She announced that XUAS is an official 501c3, registered with the Secretary of State and is in the process of obtaining an EIN number to open an account with Wells Fargo Bank. Ms. May Cha – Xiong reminded all participants that because XUAS is now an official 501c3, the new president, officers, and board of directors must be somewhat non-profit savvy and knowledgeable. XUAS will be expected to keep proper documentations of its activities and share it with the attorney general as well as other required government agencies such as the IRS.

Ms. May Cha – Xiong also gave an update on the latest balance of XUAS and the Father's Day banquet funds. She concluded this topic with providing all participants with copies of her report.

Mr. Tommy move the topic to XUAS members' discussion. Mr. Tommy inform the participants that currently XUAS has 15 groups registered with XUAS as members. Sadly, one of the group had request to withdraw from the organization. They had a written request to be withdraw from being a member of the organization. With respects to their request, he feel that although it is sad XUAS cannot hold them back. The organization was established to keep the Xiong clan together but if and when a group should decide to leave, we must respect that. Several board members feel that the officers should contact Mr. Va neng to learn from him as to why they withdrew from the organization just for educational purposes so that XUAS can continue to improve its services. Mr. Tommy asked Mr. Nhiabee to contact Mr. Va neng. Mr. Nhiabee agreed. This concluded the topic for this discussion.

The meeting adjourn at 9:30pm.