

## Hmong District of the C&MA 44th Annual Conference

Gas South Convention Center  
6400 Sugarloaf Pkwy, Duluth, GA 30097

### Ministry Strategy Meeting Minutes

SESSION 2

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

#### I. Call to Order.

- a. The Moderator, Rev. Xeng Yang, called the meeting to order at 10:38am and Dr. Lantzia Thao prayed.

#### II. Welcome & Prayer by District Superintendent, Dr. Lantzia Thao

- a. DS, Dr. Lantzia Thao, welcomed the delegates and introduced the moderator for 2023, Rev. Xeng Yang.

#### III. Words / Guidelines by Mr. Moderator, Rev. Xeng Yang

- a. The Moderator, Rev. Xeng Yang, explained the meeting rules and guidelines as outlined by Hmong District Bylaws and Roberts Rules of Orders with changes for special consideration.
  - i. A motion was made to amend the rules presented by eliminating item 6, *“to remove the 4-minute limit”*
    1. The motion was seconded
    2. The motion failed
  - ii. A motion was made to amend the rule found in item 2, *“Only main motions being recommended by Annual Conference committees will be brought before conference floor...if any delegate wants to present a new main motion to the floor, then it must be presented to the committee.”*
    1. The motion was seconded
    2. The motion passed
  - iii. The amended motion now reads, *“Only main motions being recommended by Annual Conference committees will be brought before conference floor. If any delegate wants to present a new main motion to the floor, then it must be presented to the committee.”*
  - iv. The rules and guidelines as presented by the Moderator, Rev. Xeng Yang, were **adopted** as amended. Refer to PowerPoint presentation.

#### IV. Agenda.

- a. The Agenda Committee was called and presented the following agenda for the session; the agenda was **adopted** as follows.
  - i. Welcome & Prayer By DS
  - ii. Words / Guidelines By Mr. Moderator
  - iii. Agenda Committee
  - iv. Minutes Committee
  - v. Special Privilege - C&MA Representative Rev. Terry Smith
  - vi. Ministry Dialogue: Dr. Shahlahng Herr with DS, HD Men & AWM
  - vii. Nomination Committee – First Reading

#### V. Approval of Minutes.

- a. The Minutes Committee was called and presented the minutes from the previous session (Session 1).
  - i. The minutes for Ministry Strategy Session 1 were **adopted**.

**VI. Special Privilege - C&MA Representative Rev. Terry Smith**

- a. Reverend Terry Smith addressed the delegates of the Hmong District regarding Church Ministry highlights. He shared an update concerning the National Office and its development process. He also updated the delegates concerning the Alliance Council on church ministry and polity on women in ministry.

**VII. Ministry Dialogue – Dr. Shahlahng Herr with DS, HD Men, HD Women**

- a. Dr. Shahlahng Herr shared a moment with the District Superintendent, Dr. Lantzia Thao, concerning ministry highlights from the past year. Dr. Lantzia Thao also shared concerns about declining church membership and attendance rates. The Alliance Men President, Mr. Kou Xiong shared a ministry update from this past year. The Alliance Women President Mrs. Pang Vang Nared a ministry update from this past year.

**VIII. Nomination Committee - First Reading**

- a. The Nominating Committee was called.
- b. The committee read the bylaws for elections to the delegates. And presented the rules for this year's election. See Power Point presentation for further clarification. The rules from the Nominations committee were adopted.
  - i. Dexcom Clergy Member - Rev. Xiong Her (Denver, CO)
  - ii. Dexcom Elder Member - Mr. True Xiong (Maplewood, MN) Mr. Chue Lee Thao (Appleton, WI)
  - iii. Alliance Men – Dr. Ethan Yang (Maplewood, MN) (Appointed non-votable)
  - iv. Alliance Women – Nam Txawj Havi Hawj (Denver, CO) (Appointed non-votable)
- c. The report was **adopted**.
- d. Second reading deadline: June 28<sup>th</sup> after lunch.

**IX. Adjournment.**

- a. The session was adjourned at 12:14PM; Dr. Ethan Yang closed with prayer.



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Rev. Lee Thao, Secretary of the Minutes Committee

Minutes Committee  
Rev. Coobvam Lor, Chairperson  
Rev. Lee Thao, Secretary  
Rev. Vang Yang, Member