



Urban Charter Schools Collective School Board

Kou T. Xiong, J.D., President and Founding Director. He is Senior Staff Counsel for the State of California. He is currently managing complex class actions filed against the State involving State and Federal constitutional issues, civil rights and correctional laws, special education, parole revocations, and the Americans with Disabilities Act. He received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Idaho College of Law, and his Bachelor of Science from the University of California, Berkeley. He is a community activist dealing with a variety of legal and non-legal issues including, but not limited to, education, civil/human rights, refugee, correctional/constitutional laws, workers' compensation, and immigration.

Miles E. Myles, B.S., Vice President. He was elected to the Urban Charter School Collective Board in 2014. As a resident of Sacramento, Miles has been working in the field of education for over 20 years. He holds both a CLAD Certification and Administrative Credential. His educational involvement has included school-site administration, parent educator / trainer, classroom teacher, university assistance manager of program services and professional development for teachers, Academic Efficacy trainer, and multiple school-site level committees. He believes that all children deserve to receive an excellent education and opportunities for growth that are befitting to their unique personalities and desires for this rapidly changing world. His passion for educational equity and experiences have prepared him to fulfill his new role as an UCSC board member and provide keen insights and directions to the challenges our scholars are facing today and moving forward.

Therese Moua Jaspersen, M.A., Secretary. She studied French and linguistics at the University of California, Davis and received a Master's Degree in Language, Literacy and Culture from Stanford University. She has taught French and Hmong literacy to K-8 scholars. She has written and developed the language standards for YPS Academy and Susan B. Anthony's Hmong Immersion Program. She has written several titles for Merced City School District. She is currently working as the Coordinator of Instructional Support for Shalom School, a Jewish Day community school.

Dennis M. Mah, Ed. D., Treasure and Founding Director. Dr. Mah is a retired principal. He was the founding principal at Bowling Green Charter School, the 18th charter school in California. He is the 2001 recipient of the *Hart Vision Award* for outstanding charter school administration. In his last administrative assignment, he led Fruit Ridge Elementary, a PI Year 5 school, out of program improvement in two years. He is the proud graduate of the Doctoral Program in the College of Education at the University of Washington, and holds a Master's Degree from Sacramento State University School of Education, and a Bachelor's Degree from UC Davis College of Agriculture. Since retiring, Dr. Mah has served as a team leader and presenter at the Charter Schools Development Center's Summer Leadership Institute and served as an adjunct professor at CSUS teaching a course on educational finance to aspiring administrators. He has completed state certified Chief Business Officer training. More recently he worked with parents to develop the New Joseph Bonnheim Community Charter School. He is also a former member of the CSUS College of Education's Educational Resource Board.

Lance Fang, M.B.A., is an active community member. Ensuring that our scholars receive the best education possible is one of the reasons why Lance is committed to serving as a Board of member at Urban Charter Schools Collective, UCSC. Lance has been in the IT industry for over twenty years as a business consultant. He is also active with community organizations including the Asian Pacific Islander Americans Public Affairs (APAPA) and Hmong Women's Heritage Association. Lance holds an Executive MBA from CSU, Sacramento and currently a candidate in the Doctoral of Strategic Leadership program at Regent University with an anticipated graduation date of May 2015.