

# Associated Students of College of the Desert

## ASCOD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: 02/10/2025



### 1. Organizational Items:

Call to Order: 2:02pm

#### Roll Call:

##### Executive Officers:

President: Kaden Olson (present)  
Vice President: Juan Rios Falcon (present)  
Secretary: Evelyn Castillo (present)  
Officer of Fiscal Affairs: Abraham Carabajal (present)  
Officer of Academic Affairs: Daisy Mendieta (present)  
Officer of External Affairs: Gissel Sanchez (present)  
Officer of Communications: Megan Jensen (present)  
Student Trustee: Felipe Robles (absent)

##### Senators:

Senator 1: Christopher Martinez (present)  
Senator 2: Paulina Verdugo (present)  
Senator 3: Rashel Sanchez (present)  
Senator 4: Johnny Sarrouf (absent)  
Senator 5: Natani Davidsen (present/zoom)  
Senator 6: Keith Prouty (present)  
Offsite Senator: Jenitza Perez (absent)

##### Advisors:

Carlos Maldonado: (absent)  
Danny Torres: (present)

#### Approval of Agenda

*Motion to approve the agenda which was moved by K. Prouty and seconded by C. Martinez. It was carried with no objections.*

#### Approval of Minutes

*No objections in approving the minutes.*

### 2. Public Comment:

**Letters and remarks from interested students:** Any member of the public who wishes to address the ASCOD Student Senate on any matter is limited to three (3) minutes. The total time for members of the public to speak on the same or similar issues shall be limited to fifteen (15) minutes. The ASCOD Student Senate welcomes your comments; however, we are unable to respond to those comments at this time.

*None.*

3. **Guest Speaker:**

*Isabela Veloro (Public Relations Specialist)*

- *Wanted feedback on projects such as*
  - 1.) *You've got a friend YouTube series*
    - *YouTube series spearhead by ASCOD*
    - *Highlights various campus faculty*
    - *Seven Videos have been filmed*
  - 2.) *Mascot updates:*
    - *Production has been started*
    - *Expected to arrive in April*
    - *Potential teaser campaign with ASCOD?*
  - 3.) *Coffee with the Mayor*
    - *Palm Desert mayor Harnik*
    - *Tuesday March 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am*
    - *Cravens Student Service Center, Multipurpose room*

4. **Reports:**

**ASCOD President:**

*Kaden Olson:*

- *ASCOD members know that they can come to him if they need anything*

**ASCOD Vice President:**

*Juan Falcon:*

- *Got feedback on improving with students working well with staff to improve campus factors such as follow-ups, transparency, communication and to maintain the positive change and make a difference*

**Secretary:**

*None.*

**Officer of Communications:**

*None.*

**Officer of Academic Affairs:**

*Abraham Carabajal:*

- *One future/ Gents alliance are trying to work the dreamer students to pursue an education for students and we should spread the info with students for support*

**Officer of External Affairs:**

*None.*

**Officer of Fiscal Affairs:**

*None.*

**Student Trustee:**

*None.*

**Senators:**

Paulina Verdugo:

- There will be transfer center workshop
- She had their College Corps Mid-Year leadership workshop where they met with College Corps fellows from the empire of the Inland.

Christopher Martinez:

- There will be different workshops going on at the Roadrunner makerspace where they will have an arts & crafts each day
- Promoting the career center
- Cal fresh will be coming to campus where they will be at Indio February 3 from 12pm - 2pm and at Palm Desert on March 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Advisors:**

*Danny Torres:*

- *On Wednesday there will be their first ICC club meeting for Spring*
- *This week on Thursday February 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:30-4:30pm there will be a COD Ted talk at the MPR*
- *Campus will be closed Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> so there will be no ASCOD meeting or class*

**5. Action Items:**

**Consent Items:** *These items are intended to be routine and non-controversial. They will be acted upon by the Student Senate at one time without discussion. Any member of the Student Senate or any COD student may request that any item be removed from this section for discussion.*

**Unfinished Business:**

None.

**New Business:**

**5.1 Committee Appointments** – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly approve appointing members to ASCOD and COD Standing Committees. It was moved by J. Falcon and seconded by C. Martinez to discuss. It was approved to add changes to the committee member list.

**Club Charter:** COD Future Educators Club  
- No objections to approve

**6. Information/Discussion Items:**

**6.1 Club Rush Availability** – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss their availability for Club Rush Spring 2025, occurring February 26<sup>th</sup> at the Indio Campus and February 27<sup>th</sup> at the Palm Desert

**6.2 ASCOD Tabling** - ASCOD Student Senate will discuss their availability for tabling at the Black Student Success Center reggae concert/resource event for Black History Month. Occurring Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, from 1-3pm.

**6.3 Bookstore Vending Machine Survey** - ASCOD Student Senate will review and discuss the College of the Deserts Bookstore Survey for a school supply vending machine.

**8. Committee and Taskforce Reports:**

**7.09 Academic Senate / Daisy Mendieta:**  
- They will meet on Thursday at the MPR 12:30 - 2pm

**7.41 Website Redesign Steering Committee:**  
- On the 19<sup>th</sup> which will approve the CPC presentation

**ASCOD STANDING COMMITTEES**

<b>8.1 Budget and Finance:</b> <b>Chair:</b>  <b>Members: K. Olson, J. Sarrouf</b>	<b>8.2 Executive Council:</b> <b>Chair: K. Olson</b> <b>Members: J. Falcon, F. Robles, M. Jensen, E.Castillo</b>
<b>8.3 Constitution and Bylaws:</b> <b>Chair:</b> <b>Members: M. Jensen, K. Olson</b>	<b>8.4 Governmental Relations:</b> <b>Chair:</b> <b>Members: K. Olson, C. Martinez, P. Verdugo</b>
<b>8.5 Equity and Diversity:</b> <b>Chair:</b>	<b>8.6 Public Relations:</b> <b>Chair: M. Jensen</b>

<b>Members: F. Robles, G. Sanchez, J. Sarrouf, K. Olson</b>	<b>Members: F. Robles, K. Olson, C. Martinez, P. Verdugo, G. Sanchez, D. Mendieta</b>
<b>8.7 Events: Chair: F. Robles Members: J. Falcon, C. Martinez, P. Verdugo, K. Olson, D. Mendieta, R. Sanchez</b>	<b>8.8 Elections Committee: Chair:  Members: C. Martinez, P. Verdugo, G. Sanchez, J. Sarrouf, R. Sanchez</b>

### **COD STANDING COMMITTEES**

<b>8.09 Academic Calendar Committee: J. Falcon, D. Mendieta</b>	<b>8.10 Assessment of Planning &amp; Outcomes (APO) (CPC sub-committee): J. Falcon, D. Mendieta</b>
<b>8.11 Bookstore Advisory Committee: P. Verdugo, J. Beltran</b>	<b>8.12 Budget Sub-Committee: J. Falcon (possible)</b>
<b>8.13 College Planning Council (CPC): K. Olson, F. Robles</b>	<b>8.14 Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee: C. Martinez</b>
<b>8.15 Data Evaluation Sub-Committee: N/A</b>	<b>8.16 Diversity Committee: N/A</b>
<b>8.17 DSPS Advisory Committee: P. Verdugo</b>	<b>8.18 Enrollment Management Committee: P. Verdugo</b>
<b>8.19 EOPS/CARE and Foster Youth Advisory Committee: J. Beltran, G. Sanchez, C. Martinez, J. Sarrouf (secondary for G. Sanchez)</b>	<b>8.20 Equity Committee: F. Robles</b>
<b>8.21 Facilities Advisory Committee: J. Beltran, J. Sarrouf (secondary)</b>	<b>8.22 Food Services Advisory Committee: C. Martinez, J. Beltran, E. Castillo, J. Morisco</b>
<b>8.23 Gender and Sexual Diversity Pride Center Advisory Committee: F. Robles, C. Martinez</b>	<b>8.24 Matriculation/SSSP Advisory Committee: J. Falcon</b>
<b>8.25 Outreach/Training (CPC Sub-Committee): C. Martinez</b>	<b>8.26 Safety Committee: G. Sanchez, R. Sanchez</b>
<b>8.27 Transfer Advisory Committee: P. Verdugo, R. Sanchez</b>	<b>8.28 Academic Senate: E. Castillo (temp)</b>
<b>8.29 COD Foundation Board: D. K. Olson</b>	

### **COD ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEES**

<b>8.37 Curriculum Committee: Members:</b>	<b>8.38 Educational Police and Practice: Members: J. Falcon</b>
<b>8.39 Educational Technologies and Distance Education:  Members:</b>	<b>8.40 Outcomes and Assessment Committee:  Members:</b>

### **COD/ASCOD AD-HOC COMMITTEES**

<b>8.41 Website Redesign Steering Committee: Members: F. Robles, C. Martinez, P. Verdugo</b>	<b>8.42 District Furniture Standards Workgroup: Member:</b>

**9. Communication from the floor:** *This is the time provided so that any member of the ASCOD Student Senate may address any issues or concerns or bring forward information for general discussion*

*Danny Torres:*

- *Remind everyone to check their email daily*
- *Take your agendas and don't leave them behind*
- *Felipe was congratulated for doing 101 miles on his bike*

*Juan Falcon:*

- *For club rush, 28 clubs heard about it and only 13 confirmed*

**10. Adjournment:** 3:19pm

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Signature ASCOD Secretary/President

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Print Name ASCOD Advisor

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