

Associated Students of College of the Desert

ASCOD Student Senate

Agenda for September 15, 2025

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Join the meeting in OSL Conference room
Dining Hall, 114 A or Via Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 838 5568 8746

1. **Organizational Items:**

Call to Order:	
Roll Call:	
Approval of Agenda:	September 15, 2025
Approval of Minutes:	August 25th and September 8th, 2025

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.

3. **Guest Speaker:** President Val Martinez Garcia

4. **Reports:**

President-Juan Falcon:

Vice President-Roberto Ramos:

Secretary-Andrea Sandoval:

Student Trustee-Enass "Nusa" James:

Officer of Academic Affairs-Sarah Ghazawi:

Officer of Communications-Jenitza Perez:

Officer of External Affairs-Christopher Martinez:

Officer of Fiscal Affairs-Abner Ramirez:

Senators:

-Bonnita Castillo:

-Kelly Dominguez:

-Vacant

-Alexi Juarez:

-Salvador Rodriguez:

-Oshaunga Combs

Off-site Senators:

-Vacant:

Advisors:

-Carlos A. Maldonado:

-Danny Torres:

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:

New Business:

5.1 SSSCC Advocacy Academy – ASCOD Student senate will discuss and possibly take action to approve attending California Community College Student Affairs Association Advocacy Academy scheduled from December 5-7, 2025.

5.2 ASCOD Attendance - ASCOD Student Senate will discuss, and possibly take action to enforce, ASCOD Bylaws Section 2 (Attendance), subsection 4, which provides: "A Student Senate Member who accumulates three (3) or more unexcused absences may face removal by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of Student Senate Members in attendance."

5.3 Desert United Luncheon – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to approve the recommendations from the Events Committee.

5.4 Latinx Heritage Panel – ASCOD Student senate will discuss and possibly take action, to approve participating and provide feedback, for the CODtalk: Heritage Panel happening on October 9, 2025.

5.5 CCCSAA Conference – ASCOD will discuss and possibly take action to approve the Governmental Relations recommendation for attending CCCSAA Student Leadership Conference scheduled for October 17-19, 2025 in Santa Clara, CA.

5.6 Committee Appointments - ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to approve committee appointments.

Club Charter: CODAC, Music Club, Creative Communications Club, KPOP Club, Chem Club, Roadrunner Photography Club, SAGA Club

6. Information/Discussion Items

6.1 Off-site Campus Advocacy – The ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and provide feedback on the concept of riding the Roadrunner Express and conducting outreach visits to all off-site campuses.

7. Committee and Taskforce Reports

ASCOD STANDING COMMITTEES

7.1 Budget and Finance: Chair: Abner R., Members: Christopher M., Salvador R., Juan F	7.2 Executive Council: Chair: Juan F. Members: Nusa J., Roberto R.
7.3 Constitution and Bylaws: Chair: Juan F. Members: Abner R., Alexi J., Nusa J., Kelly D.	7.4 Governmental Relations: Chair: Christopher M. Members: Nusa J., Salvador R., Andrea S., Juan F., Alexi J.
7.5 Equity and Diversity: Chair: Alexi J. Members: Roberto R., Nusa J., Juan F.	7.6 Public Relations: Chair: Jenitza P. Members: Bonnita C., Kelly D., Christopher M., Alexi J., Juan F.
7.7 Events: Chair: Bonnita C. Members: Jenitza P., Alexi J., Salvador R., Juan F.	7.8 Elections Committee: Chair: Juan F. Members: Alexi J., Kelly D., Roberto R., Abner R.

COD STANDING COMMITTEES

7.9 Academic Senate: Sarah G., (Juan F.)	7.10 Academic Calendar Committee: Sarah G., (Juan F.)
7.11 Assessment of Planning & Outcomes (APO) (CPC Sub-Committee): Abner R., (Juan F.)	7.12 Automotive Advisory Committee: Kelly D. (Juan F.)
7.13 Bookstore Advisory Committee: Jenitza P., Salvador R. (Nusa J.)	7.14 Budget Sub-Committee: Abner R. (Salvador R.)
7.15 Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee: Christopher M. (Juan F.)	7.16 COD Foundation Board: Juan F. (Christopher M.)
7.17 College Planning Council (CPC): Juan F., Nusa J. (Ajeet B.)	7.18 Data Evaluation Sub-Committee: Kelly D.
7.19 Diversity Committee: Roberto R., (Alexi J.)	7.20 DSPS Advisory Committee: Andrea S. (Kelly D.)
7.21 Dual Enrollment Committee: Alexi J., (Bonnita C.)	7.22 Strong Workforce Steering: Juan F. (Kelly D.)
7.23 EOPS/CARE and Foster Youth Advisory Committee: Andrea S. (Alexi J.)	7.24 Equity Committee: Roberto R. (Nusa J.)
7.25 Enrollment Management Committee: Alexi J. (Juan F.)	7.26 Facilities Advisory Committee: Kelly D. (Juan F.)
7.27 Faculty Development Committee: Salvador R. (Juan F.)	7.28 Food Services Advisory Committee: Alexi J., Juan F., Salvador R., Ajeet B.
7.29 Gender and Sexual Diversity Pride Center Advisory Committee: Alexi J. (Nusa J.)	7.30 Guided Pathways: Abner R., Salvador R., Juan F., Alexi J., Kelly D., Nusa J., Bonnita C., Jenitza P.
7.31 Information and Technology Systems: Salvador R., (Abner R.)	7.32 Matriculation/SSSP Advisory Committee: Sarah G. (Alexi J.)
7.33 Outreach/Training (CPC Committee): Ajeet B. (Roberto R.)	7.34 Safety Committee: Juan F. (Kelly D.)

7.35 Transfer Advisory Committee: Bonnita C. (Andrea S.)	7.36 Guided Pathways Steering Committee: Juan F., (Andrea S)
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COD ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEES

7.37 Curriculum Committee: Ajeet B. (Alexi J.)	7.38 Educational Policies and Practices: Juan F. (Bonnita C.)
7.39 Educational Technologies and Distance Education: Roberto R. (Juan F.)	7.40 Outcomes and Assessment Committee: Ajeet B., (Juan F.)

COD/ASCOD AD-HOC COMMITTEES

7.41 Website Redesign Steering Committee: Alexi J., Juan F., Abner R., Jenitza P.	7.42 Student Equity Plan Writing Workgroup: Robert R., Bonnita C., Alexi J.

8. Future Agenda Items:

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.*

10. Adjournment: