

Associated Students of College of the Desert

ASCOD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: 08/28/2023



1. **Organizational Items:**

Call to Order: 2:01pm

Roll Call:

Executive Officers:

President: Kelly Merchant (present)
Vice President: DJuane Nunley (present)
Secretary: Madaline Nunley (present)
Officer of Fiscal Affairs: Vacant
Officer of Academic Affairs: Vacant
Officer of External Affairs: Felipe Robles (present)
Officer of Communications: Donovan Upp (present)
Student Trustee: Isaac Zarco (present)

Senators:

Senator 1: Kiara Thomas (present)
Senator 2: Kaden Olson (present)
Senator 3: Denzel Garcia (present)
Senator 4: Madigan Escobar (present)
Senator 5: Vacant

Advisors:

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

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by I. Zarco to approve the agenda, seconded by F. Robles. Motion carried without objection.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by I. Zarco to approve the agenda, seconded by D. Nunley. Motion carried without objection.

2. **Public Comment:**

None.

3. **Guest Speaker:** Catherine Abbot – Executive Director, COD Foundation. Spoke about taking part in the Great Alumni Hunt. There will be 20 Teams each team having a minimum of 3 people. Trying to get meaningful contact with 1000 alumni. Between September 29th – October 5th campaigning. Teams will need a student, a community leader and a faculty and staff member. Up to a \$3,000 scholarship. Registration @ codfoundation.org

4. **COVID Updates:**

None.

5. **Reports:**

ASCOD President:

None.

ASCOD Vice President:

None.

Secretary:

None.

Officer of Communications:

None.

Officer of Academic Affairs:

None.

Officer of External Affairs:

None.

Officer of Fiscal Affairs:

None.

Student Trustee:

I. Zarco -

- *College Corps Ceremony he attended.*
- *Attended Student Leadership Workshop in Riverside.*
- *EMP meeting he attended where they discussed students 5 year plans.*

Senators:

None

Advisors:

D. Torres announced that as Student Senate we are allowed to park in the Staff and Faculty parking lot. We will be receiving an email to add car info

- *Updated ASCOD Application Elections page to show it is by appointment only.*

C. Maldonado Board meeting this Friday we are required to attend at least one. Starts @9:30am.

- *Shout out to I. Zarco representing us very well at Student Leadership Workshop in Riverside. Did not disappoint.*

6. 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:

6.1 ASCOD Appointments – *ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to appoint Kaden Olson as the officer of Fiscal Affairs for the 2023-2024 academic year. It was motioned by I. Zarco and seconded by K. Olson with no objections. A unanimous decision. None opposed. Motion carried approved.*

6.2 ASCOD Appointments – *ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to appoint Megan Jensen as Independent Senator for the 2023-2024 academic year. It was motioned by K. Olson and seconded by D. Nunley with no objections. A unanimous decision. None opposed. Motion carried approved.*

6.3 Lunch N Learn – *ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to partner with UCR School of Medicine's Center for Healthy Communities to hold a Lunch N Learn event. It was motioned by M. Nunley and seconded by K. Olson with no objections. Motion carried 9 to 1, in favor.*

Club Charter: None.

7. Information/Discussion Items:

7.1 Welcome Week – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss the events of Welcome Week occurring August 28th – 31st. It was motioned by I. Zarco and seconded by K. Olson.

- *Officer Robles offered a peculiar attention-grabbing event that was decided would be tabled until further notice.*
- *ASCOD Student senate explored different methods to attract students such as a speaker for music, variety of snacks, and foot traction methods.*
- *It was stressed that those at the table should take heat exposure precautions, such as taking breaks in cool areas, maintaining hydration, and reducing sun exposure, to avoid heat illnesses.*

8. Committee and Taskforce Reports:

ASCOD STANDING COMMITTEES

8.1 Budget and Finance: Chair: Members: K. Thomas, M. Nunley & K. Olsen	8.2 Executive Council: Chair: Members: K. Merchant, D. Nunley, M. Nunley, I. Zarco, K. Olson, D. Upp, F. Robles
8.3 Constitution and Bylaws: Chair: Members: K. Merchant, K. Olson, M. Escobar	8.4 Governmental Relations: Chair: Members: D. Garcia, I. Zarco, M. Escobar
8.5 Equity and Diversity: Chair: Members: D. Nunley, F. Robles, K. Thomas	8.6 Public Relations: Chair: Members: F. Robles, D. Nunley, M. Nunley
8.7 Events: Chair: Members: K. Merchant, D. Nunley, M. Nunley, I. Zarco, M. Escobar, K. Olson, K. Thomas, D. Garcia	8.8 Elections Committee: Chair: Members: K. Merchant, D. Garcia, F. Robles

COD STANDING COMMITTEES

8.09 Academic Calendar Committee: K. Merchant	8.10 Assessment of Planning & Outcomes (APO) (CPC sub-committee): M. Nunley
8.11 Bookstore Advisory Committee: I. Zarco	8.12 Budget Sub-Committee: K. Olson, temporary
8.13 College Planning Council (CPC): K. Merchant, I. Zarco	8.14 Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee: K. Merchant
8.15 Data Evaluation Sub-Committee: K. Olson	8.16 Diversity Committee: D. Nunley
8.17 DSPS Advisory Committee: K. Thomas	8.18 Enrollment Management Committee: M. Escobar
8.19 EOPS/CARE and Foster Youth Advisory Committee: M. Nunley	8.20 Equity Committee: D. Nunley
8.21 Facilities Advisory Committee: M. Escobar	8.22 Food Services Advisory Committee: D. Upp, D. Nunley, F. Robles, K. Olson
8.23 Gender and Sexual Diversity Pride Center Advisory Committee: K. Thomas	8.24 Matriculation/SSSP Advisory Committee: F. Robles
8.25 Outreach/Training (CPC Sub-Committee): I. Zarco	8.26 Safety Committee: K. Merchant

8.27 Transfer Advisory Committee: M. Nunley	8.28 Academic Senate: D. Garcia
8.29 COD Foundation Board: D. Upp	

COD ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEES

8.30 Curriculum Committee: D. Garcia	8.31 Educational Policies and Practices: D. Garcia
8.32 Educational Technologies and Distance Education: M. Escobar	8.33 Outcomes and Assessment Committee: F. Robles

COD/ASCOD AD-HOC COMMITTEES

Palms Springs Development Project Advisory Group:	The accreditation Workgroup:

9. **Communication from the floor:** *None*

10. **Adjournment:** 4:16 pm

Print Name ASCOD Secretary/President

Signature ASCOD Secretary/President

Date

Print Name ASCOD Advisor

Signature ASCOD Advisor

Date