

Associated Students of College of the Desert

ASCOD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: 02/24/2025



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 (absent)
Student Trustee: Felipe Robles (absent)

Senators:

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

Advisors:

Carlos Maldonado: (present)
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 postponing 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:**

None.

4. **Reports:**

ASCOD President:

Kaden Olson:

- *Club Rush is this Wednesday & Thursday so make sure your availability schedule is correct*

ASCOD Vice President:

Juan Falcon:

- *ICC was amazing where they are proud of the fact that the club/representatives didn't fit in the room and Club rush and Olympics was discussed*
- *Created an EXCEL calendar to send meeting times*
- *He attendee various club meetings to represent ASCOD more*
- *Black Student Success month tabling was good and ASCOD was very well presented*
- *Coffee and Donuts with the mayor will be on March 4th in the Multipurpose room*

Secretary:

Evelyn Castillo:

- *She attended the S.M.A.R.T. Goals Workshop where she had fun and found it a learning experience where in order to complete a goal you have to set a plan for it rather than going straight to it sort of like steps.*

Officer of Communications:

None.

Officer of Academic Affairs:

Abraham Carabajal:

- *There will be a Student Educational plan Workshop being hosted by Gents Alliance*
- *There is an active Pamphlet for graduation this semester where you can get if you need help transferring*
- *The automotive club is trying to get back to running again*

Officer of External Affairs:

Gissel Sanchez:

- *Reminder that the 26th there will be finishing up the Black History Month event at the Ampath theater at 12:30*
- *DAP Health is partnering with COD every Monday*
- *At the Indio Campus there will be a career festival where you will be in professional attire and good will be provided on Wednesday March 5th.*
- *Next immigration clinic is March 20th where you are able to ask any questions for the representatives or lawyers from 3pm-4pm at the DRC*
- *Student Educational Plan workshop is coming up the 26th of February hosted by Gents Alliance which is also a requirement for graduation*
- *She attended the Delegate Assembly where there is a new treasurer elected for the region but the original director wanted us to delegate to meet to represent our region better*
- *The region 9 invited ASCOD members at the end of March*
- *Last Friday she attended the Board of Trustee meeting as she was able to read about the history of women.*

Officer of Fiscal Affairs:

None.

Student Trustee:

Felipe Robles:

- *Yesterday there was a Delegate Assembly where a representative made a point of how there was a lot of students getting issues on documents through taxes but there is a business that is able to help*
- *Last Friday there was a Board of Trustee meeting where it was discussed the cohesion of the Board to achieve certain goals. They are trying to address and discuss about the new positions going into motion*
- *He wanted to receive assistance to help to march and merge a quick promo video*

Senators:

Paulina Verdugo:

- *Club Rush is coming up this week so spread the word*
- *Last week she also had the opportunity to table at the Black Student Success Center where she shared a lot about ASCOD and Club Rush*
- *Elections are coming up so keep an eye on Instagram*

Rashel Sanchez:

- *Got started on the video but didn't finish it but was able to create a template in case the idea gets approved which has the name, position, your famous spot on campus, and an underrated spot on campus*

Keith Prouty:

- *He also tabled at the Black Student Success center and it was a fun event*

Jenitza Perez:

- Transfer career center has an opportunity where you can go to different colleges and the Cal Poly trip is on the 6th of March 3, 2025

Christopher Martinez:

- Attended the S.M.A.R.T. Goals Vision Board Workshop where he got inspired that he collaborated with his supervisors
- He will be hosting his own S.M.A.R.T. Goals and Vision Board Training with College Corps
- He also tabled at the Black Student Success center and it was amazing

Advisors:

Danny Torres:

- *Last week was the first COD ted talk which was a good turnout as there was over 60 participants*
- *Reminder that Club rush is this week on Wednesday at Indio from 10-1 and Thursday at Palm Desert from 10-1.*
- *He also has details for the furniture feedback that he can share*

Carlos Maldonado:

- *Advisors have many responsibilities besides being an advisor but have it in a private or public meeting to address it*
- *Issues of stipend was that 9 were requested as some weren't part of ASCOD full time*
- *The 10-98 which is a form that only students receive stipend from the college where the requirement changed where it is only scholarship or reimbursement.*
- *The presidential search selection where the ASCOD president and student Trustee were named in the list. The search was postponed and canceled as a violation had occurred*
- *It is important to remember that Danny Torres and Ana Soto work for him and not for ASCOD so we should treat them with respect*
- *The college is entering a furniture standard where anytime there is construction or a need to remodel, they want feedback from today to Friday (furniture fair) at the mall from 10-2 to see if the furniture makes sense (not based off color)*
- *Issues with the deferral government (mou issued by the office of management/immediate freeze to all government funding. It was retracted)*
- *On February 14th , there was a thing where university admission cannot be discriminated by race*

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 K. Prouty to discuss. It was approved to add changes to the committee member list.*

Club Charter: *None.*

6. Information/Discussion Items:

6.1 ASCOD Spring Event – *ASCOD Student Senate will discuss possible events for the Spring Semester. It was moved to postpone by K. Prouty and seconded by J. Falcon.*

6.2 ASCOD Offsite Campus Meeting - *ASCOD Student Senate will discuss the possibility of holding one of its regularly scheduled meetings at an offsite COD Campus.*

6.3 General Assembly - *ASCOD Student Senate will review and discuss the Student Senate for California Community Colleges General Assembly to take place on April 4, 2025 - April 6, 2025*

8. Committee and Taskforce Reports:

None.

ASCOD STANDING COMMITTEES

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

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

COD STANDING COMMITTEES

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

COD ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEES

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

COD/ASCOD AD-HOC COMMITTEES

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

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*

Paulina Verdugo:

- *There should be an expectation or general rules for the ASCOD members*

10. Adjournment: 4:03pm

Print Name ASCOD Secretary/President

Signature ASCOD Secretary/President

Date

Print Name ASCOD Advisor

Signature ASCOD Advisor

Date