

# Associated Students of College of the Desert

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## ASCOD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: 02/03/2025



### 1. Organizational Items:

**Call to Order:**

**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 (absent)  
Officer of External Affairs: Gissel Sanchez (present)  
Officer of Communications: Megan Jensen (present)  
Student Trustee: Felipe Robles (present)

**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: (present)  
Danny Torres: (present)

### **Approval of Agenda**

*Motion to approve the agenda which was moved by J. Falcon 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:**

**Karina Cantinilla:**

- *Suppress support in students as there is a desperate need in voices as we need to hear from them*
- *Look at the government jobs available because they do not see local hires from out of state*

4. **Reports:**

**ASCOD President:**

*Kaden Olson:*

- *Officer hours will start this week and you are required to do two hours per week.*

**ASCOD Vice President:**

*Juan Falcon:*

- *The Social Justice club is meeting on February 4<sup>th</sup> from 2-3pm at the library in a study room 231*
- *Dance Dynasty is meeting biweekly starting Thursday 4-5pm*
- *Look into your handshake application as opportunities are opening up for intent and it is a paid working with the riverside county about politics, agendas, and minutes*

**Secretary:**

*None.*

**Officer of Communications:**

*None.*

**Officer of Academic Affairs:**

*None.*

**Officer of External Affairs:**

*Gissel Sanchez:*

- *The DRC and the Alas Con Futuro Club will be collaborating this Saturday at the Gents Alliance Car show from 9am-1pm to raise money in support of the club where they will sell donuts and coffee*

**Officer of Fiscal Affairs:**

*None.*

**Student Trustee:**

*Felipe Robles:*

- *Anyone in anatomy, psychology, or any health science class, they will be hosting study hours on Monday and Friday from 12-2*

**Senators:**

*Paulina Verdugo:*

- *Student health and wellness center in room 133 where they will start today for their low-cost services*
- *Last week at the Indio campus there was a situation with a transient where PSA did deal with it but it raised concern for students as they do not have the following:*
  - 1.) *PSA doesn't have badges or logos that identify they work for the college*
  - 2.) *The only thing they carry is pepper spray which risks their life and the students*

*Christopher Martinez:*

- *Marks center will be hosting a show on February 6<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>.*
- *There will be a student market show this Thursday from 4pm-6pm*
- *Roadrunner express schedule has been made and posted on the Website*
- *Scholarship aware is now opened and will be due by the 7<sup>th</sup> of February*
- *There will be activity workshops hosted by the Roadrunner makers*
- *Career Center will take place on the 4<sup>th</sup> of February from 10-11 to show their services that can be provided to you*
- *On the 5<sup>th</sup> of February there will be a "find your job on campus" to become a student worker*
- *TASC has started tutoring at the COD Library*
- *Last week he did an interview to represent the Pride Center and it'll be aired on the Radio (96.5) for the whole month of February*
- *Graduation applications are now opened*
- *On February 6<sup>th</sup>, the blacks student success center will have their knowledge bowl at 4pm*
- *Gents Alliance is putting on their male submit of a two-day leadership conference from Friday-Saturday*

**Advisors:**

*Danny Torres:*

- *Reminder that next Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup>, there will be a COD talk of the semester for the black history month*

**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 K. Prouty and seconded by J. Falcon to discuss. It was approved to add changes to the committee member list.*

**5.2 Club Rush** - *ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action regarding the plan for Spring 2025 Club Rush, happening on February 26<sup>th</sup> at the Indio Campus and February 27<sup>th</sup> at the Palm Desert Campus. No objections to move into*

**Club Charter:** *None.*

**6. Information/Discussion Items:**

**6.1 ASCOD Goals** – *ASCOD Student Senate will discuss their goals for Spring 2025.*

**6.2 Student Concerns Related to Immigration and Custom Enforcement (ICE)** - *ASCOD Student Senate will discuss student concerns related to Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) on campus.*

**8. Committee and Taskforce Reports:** *None.*

**ASCOD STANDING COMMITTEES**

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

<b>8.5 Equity and Diversity:</b> <b>Chair:</b> <b>Members: F. Robles, G. Sanchez, J. Sarrouf, K. Olson</b>	<b>8.6 Public Relations:</b> <b>Chair: M. Jensen</b> <b>Members: F. Robles, K. Olson, C. Martinez, P. Verdugo, G. Sanchez, D. Mendieta</b>
<b>8.7 Events:</b> <b>Chair: F. Robles</b> <b>Members: J. Falcon, C. Martinez, P. Verdugo, K. Olson, D. Mendieta, R. Sanchez</b>	<b>8.8 Elections Committee:</b> <b>Chair:</b>  <b>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:</b> <b>Members:</b>	<b>8.38 Educational Police and Practice:</b> <b>Members: J. Falcon</b>
<b>8.39 Educational Technologies and Distance Education:</b>  <b>Members:</b>	<b>8.40 Outcomes and Assessment Committee:</b>  <b>Members:</b>

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

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

*Paulina Verdugo:*

- *When she does Office Hours, people would stare into the ASCOD office so we should let them know we are here for them*
- *Maybe have office hours posted or available so students can see*

*Christopher Martinez:*

- *An idea to decorate the whiteboard by adding window or color so students see that they are welcome to stop by or enter*

**10. Adjournment:** 2:32pm

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Print Name ASCOD Secretary/President

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Signature ASCOD Secretary/President

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Date

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