

# Associated Students of College of the Desert

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## ASCOD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: 10/28/2023



### 1. Organizational Items:

Call to Order: 2:03 pm

#### Roll Call:

##### Executive Officers:

President: Kaden Olson (present)  
Vice President: Juan Rios Falcon (present)  
Secretary: Evelyn Castillo (present)  
Officer of Fiscal Affairs: Vacant  
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: Rachel Sanchez (Late)  
Senator 4: Johnny Sarrouf (present)

##### Advisors:

Carlos Maldonado: (Present)  
Danny Torres: (Absent)

### Approval of Agenda

*Motion to approve the agenda which was moved by P. Verdugo 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:**

*None.*

4. **COVID Updates:**

*None.*

5. **Reports:**

**ASCOD President:**

*None.*

**ASCOD Vice President:**

*Juan Falcon:*

- *Attending the 20<sup>th</sup> annual Palm Springs submit in Rancho Mirage on Tuesday from 8am – 11am and it will be about the financial of the valley*

**Secretary:**

*None.*

**Officer of Communications:**

*None.*

**Officer of Academic Affairs:**

*Daisy Mendieta:*

- *City of Indio for the campus are seeking for student artists or an artist team to design and install a Mural for the*

**Officer of External Affairs:**

*Gissel Sanchez –*

- *AV91 law was passed which lets low-income students who live in the border region of California be eligible for state tuition. To be eligible you have to be living within the 45 miles of the border or be born a resident of Mexico*
- *SSCCC connect shouted out COD for the upcoming meeting in November*
- *Advocacy Academy they want students to go apply*
- *Regional 9 has a vacant regional officer board position for vice chair*
- *SSCCC Board of Directors came up with a 2025 legislative priorities for students through basic needs, academic rights, and equity for marginalized students*

**Officer of Fiscal Affairs:**

*None.*

**Student Trustee:**

*None.*

**Senators:**

*Christopher Martinez –*

- *Foster Youth services and DRC are putting workshops and for financial literacy*
- *Volunteered for COD for Equity California awards on Friday and he found it interesting*
- *On Sunday he spoke with academic angels who sponsors the COD foundation and they sponsored him for the Leadership Coachella Valley program. It was a good opportunity for networking*
- *PS pride parade, pride run, and other events are going on*

*Rachel Sanchez –*

- *Be active during the block party and spooky spectacular as they are working hard on it*

**Advisors:**

*None.*

**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 ASACC Student Advocacy Conference Budget** – *ASCOD Student Senate will possibly take action to approve a budget not to exceed \$15000 to attend the American Student Association of Community Colleges National Student Advocacy conference occurring March 15<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025. It was moved by E. Castillo and seconded by C. Martinez with no objections. Motion carried to all in favor. A unanimous decision to approve the budget.*

**6.2 SSSCC Trainings** – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly approve the trainings they would like to receive during the SSSCC visit occurring November 8, 2024. It was moved by J. Falcon and seconded by E. Castillo with no objections. Motion carried to all in favor. A unanimous decision to approve the training ideas.

**Club Charter:** FACES Club, ASL (American Sign Language) Club, Motion Picture Club  
All clubs were rechartered with no objections

## **7. Information/Discussion Items:**

**7.1 Website Redesign Committee** – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss the Website Redesign committee. It was board to come back to it next week which was moved by J. Falcon and seconded by P. Verdugo with no objections.

**7.2 COD Block Party** – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss the tabling plan for the COD Block Party event occurring October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024 from 12-2pm in the South Annex.

**7.3 Spooky Spectacular** – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss the plan for the Spooky Spectacular event occurring October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024 from 4-6pm in the Beeps Outdoor Quad.

## **8. Committee and Taskforce Reports:**

### **8.7 Events / Kaden Olson:**

- Didn't meet

### **8.09 Academic Senate / Daisy Mendieta:**

- Looking for anyone who is interested in doing student spotlight at the next faculty student meeting November 14<sup>th</sup>
- They are also looking for student and people for speakers at the outstanding people of the year for Graduation

### **8.25 Enrollment Management Committee / Paulina Verdugo:**

- After summer of 2025, Call State certifications are changing
- They are trying to find a way to be able to share resource information to students

### **8.28 Food Services Advisory Committee / Evelyn Castillo:**

- Will meet this upcoming Friday in the MPR

### **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:</b> F. Robles, G. Sanchez, J. Sarrouf, K. Olson	<b>8.6 Public Relations:</b> <b>Chair:</b> M. Jensen <b>Members:</b> F. Robles, K. Olson, C. Martinez, P. Verdugo, G. Sanchez, D. Mendieta
<b>8.7 Events:</b> <b>Chair:</b> F. Robles <b>Members:</b> J. Falcon, C. Martinez, P. Verdugo, K. Olson, D. Mendieta, R. Sanchez	<b>8.8 Elections Committee:</b> <b>Chair:</b>  <b>Members:</b> C. Martinez, P. Verdugo, G. Sanchez, J. Sarrouf, R. Sanchez

### **COD STANDING COMMITTEES**

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

### **COD ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEES**

<b>8.37 Curriculum Committee:</b> <b>Members:</b>	<b>8.38 Educational Police and Practice:</b> <b>Members:</b> J. Falcon
<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: 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:*

- *Thanking those who applied for the letter of intent and that Calros and him will get to approving them by the end of the week*

**10. Adjournment:** *3:15 pm*

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Print Name ASCOD Advisor

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