

Associated Students of College of the Desert

ASCOD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: 09/30/2023



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: Vacant
Officer of Academic Affairs: Daisy Mendieta (present)
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: Rachel Sanchez (present)
Senator 4: John Sarrouf (present)

Advisors:

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

Approval of Agenda

Motion to add a new business point which was moved by J. Falcon & F. Robles. It was approved to carry with the agenda with no objections.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes was carried without objection.

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:**

Leslie Alvarez:

- *She wanted to spread the importance and increase awareness in regard to mental health*
- *There are many ways to start your mental health journey that suits you*
- *Different types of therapy are talking or journaling*
- *Hand-made journals make it more special as she made some for us*
- *Ask yourself, "what can I change?" after a bad day*

4. **COVID Updates:**

None.

5. **Reports:**

ASCOD President:

Kaden Olson:

- *Discovered an app called "Net Tutor" that can be found on canvas where there is help available 24 hours for math, science, etc.*

ASCOD Vice President:

Juan Falcon:

- *Club rush event was awesome and pointed out the great teamwork*
- *Shout out to Christopher and Gissel for being good on the mic and speaking up on the COD runner radio*
- *Felipe was thanked as he got it all together as part of the events committee*

Secretary:

Evelyn Castillo:

- *Enjoyed the experience of volunteering at club rush as she was able to witness the engagement of students that were having fun*
- *Attend the transfer fair where she had the opportunities to speak with someone from a different university or a college.*

Officer of Communications:

Megan Jensen:

- *TASC will be hosting a writing report workshop at the library*

Officer of Academic Affairs:

None.

Officer of External Affairs:

Gissel Sanchez:

- Attended the transfer fair and mentioned that it was fun and a good opportunity
- Club rush was very eventful and she even promoted the stamps
- Basic Needs Center has a community health worker coming every 1st and 3rd of the month as well as every 4th Wednesday
- Board of Government student role is due this Friday October 4th which is an opportunity for community college students to be part of the SS Triple C.

Officer of Fiscal Affairs:

None.

Student Trustee:

Felipe Robles:

- Thanked everyone who attended club rush and Carlos for providing Jersey Mikes as lunch
- SS Triple C has a regional submit delegate assembly on October 20th
- Tomorrow you are able to see the local plan of Indio state
- Election year and debate is happening on the 1st of October

Senators:

Paulina Verdugo:

- *Giving everyone a good job on club rush*
- *Attended the transfer fair and said it was interesting and that it was nice to see colleges like Berkley*
- *Tag application is due tonight*

Rachel Sanchez:

- *Club rush was a success*

Advisors:

Carlos Maldonado:

- *Congratulating everyone for club rush as it was a successful event*
- *He noticed that students want to be engaged and be part of the college*
- *He thanked the clubs for showing up*
- *Accreditation visit ended on Friday noon as college staff got to meet with them.*
- *At the end of January, we will know how long the accreditation will be*
- *Mentioned details regarding the Board of Governor student role as it is an important role where you are constantly being exposed to other leaders across the state and make back to back trips.*

Danny Torres:

- *Thanking ASCOD members who made themselves available to assist in Club Rush*
- *Shout out to Gissel and Christopher for taking over the mic*
- *Shout out to Office of Student Life as they and their student workers were also out there in the heat. We have to thank them as they will be working with us for future events*

- *Today is the deadline at midnight for ASCOD applications so give the students a quick reminder*

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 COD October Event Budget \$2500 – *ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly approve a budget for the COD October Event not to exceed \$2500. It was moved by E. Castillo and seconded by J. Falcon with no objections. Motion carried 6 to 0, in favor. A unanimous decision.*

6.2 Committee Appointments – *ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly approve to appoint to ASCOD Standing, and COD Standing Committees. It was moved by J. Falcon and seconded by F. Robles with no objections.*

- *No objections to remove Kaden Olson from the Events Committee*
- *No objections to remove Christopher Martinez and re-add Kaden Olson to Events Committee*
- *No objections to add John Sarrouf to be primary in Dual Enrollment Committee and to add Kaden as an Alerternate. Also to remove John Sarrouf from Diversity Committee*
- *No objections to remove Christopher Martinez from the Food Services Advisory Committee*
- *No objections to remove Gissel from Facilities Advisory Committee and to add Kaden Olson*

Club Charter:

None.

7. Information/Discussion Items:

7.1 ASCOD Applications Update - *ASCOD Student Senate will receive an update on the process for ASCOD Applications and the appointment process moving forward. No oppositions to move into.*

7.2 SSSCC Advocacy Academy – *ASCOD Student Senate will discuss the Student Senate for California Community Colleges Advocacy Academy occurring on November 11th & 12th, 2024. No oppositions to move into.*

8. Committee and Taskforce Reports:

8.7 Events / Felipe Robles:

- Their meeting will take place tomorrow from 12pm – 1pm
- Once he obtains minutes, he will send them out
- He will bring the October event into the conversation

8.19 Diversity / Gissel Sanchez:

- Discussed on different types of accessibility training for staff and faculty
- They are reaching out to students who take evening classes

8.30 Guided Pathways

Gissel Sanchez:

- First meeting tomorrow

Felipe Robles:

- A student should join the process of joining the situation
- Prime enrollment will receive information, application process, documents to approve, financial, and what sort of resources does the campus have and understanding the information to continue your education or transferring so they can focus on which one to approve more to increase student involvement
- There will be a meeting on Friday from 10am – 2pm so it should be mentioned to students to hear their voice

8.37 Curriculum / Gissel Sanchez:

- First meeting tomorrow

8.09 Academic Senate / Daisy Mendieta:

- There is a positive attendance as professors are required to mark for attendance and there will be a training for that since some teachers are not aware
- If the government isn't shared with that information, they can have a loss on funding

8.21 Dual Enrollment / John Sarrouf:

- High School or College of The Desert, has very little communication in classrooms where teachers just end up babysitting
- People who being representatives that are causing issues because it puts people in charge and they don't fully understand

8.17 College Planning Council

Kaden Olson:

- Meeting took place last Friday
- It lasted 23 minutes
- His iPad died so he will give a report next week

Felipe Robles:

- Spoke with the campus lawyer Jacob where he went over the document of flow chart
- There was nothing to debate as it went smoothly

8.16 Cod Foundation Board / Kaden Olson:

- It was a fun meeting as there was a good discussion on student outcome
- In January there will be a fundraisers for college
- Finances are coming back to college after covid
- Working on a 5 for 5 program which consist of 5 student employers which would get a paid internship. They would earn credit and the income is above minimum wage

8.41 Website Redesign Steering / Felipe Robles:

- Their meeting will take place on Wednesday
- Student questionnaire will be passed out to everyone
- They're trying to create the best website experience

8.31 Information and Technology Systems / Megan Jensen:

- Routine agenda will go over timeline, masterplan, action item for workgroups to divide and conquer on charters
- There will be a survey to find out the problems and hope to better the technology round campus

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: Members: F. Robles, G. Sanchez, J. Sarrouf, K. Olson	8.6 Public Relations: Chair: M. Jensen 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*

Felipe Robles:

- *Art Gallery is happening on Thursday October 3rd from 4pm – 6pm where there will be food, art, and a group of artists coming from Los Angeles.*

Juan Falcon:

- *Raise awareness for students of ASCOD so we can build a strong community connection with them*

10. Adjournment: *3:20pm*

Print Name ASCOD Secretary/President

Signature ASCOD Secretary/President

Date

Print Name ASCOD Advisor

Signature ASCOD Advisor

Date