

Associated Students of College of the Desert

ASCOD Student Senate

Agenda for September 14, 2026

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm



Join the meeting in the in the ASCOD Conference Room

Dining Hall, 114 A or Via Zoom Meeting:

<https://collegeofthedesert-edu.zoom.us/j/88680742852>

Meeting ID: 886 8074 2852

1. **Organizational Items:**

Call to Order:	
Roll Call:	
Approval of Agenda:	September 14, 2026
Approval of Minutes:	August 31, 2026

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.

3. **Guest Speakers:** Kaytlyn Blank, Ana Soto: Homecoming Discussion

4. **Reports:**

President-Amber Searles:

Vice President-Vacant:

Secretary-Vacant:

Student Trustee-William Garcia:

Officer of Academic Affairs-Jose Aguilar:

Officer of Communications-Vacant:

Officer of External Affairs-Estrellita Rosales:

Officer of Fiscal Affairs-Joselyn Gutierrez:

Senators

Santiago Villanueva:

Savannah Paul:

Juan Falcon:

Luna Yeend:

Jazmin Murua:

Off-site Senators

Vacant:

Advisors

Danny Torres:

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:

New Business:

5.1 Committee Appointments – The ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to approve committee appointments.

5.2 ASCOD Vice President Vacancy – The ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to approve the recommendation of David Quintero.

5.3 ASCOD Secretary Vacancy – The ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and vote on the recommendation of Startiesh Thomas.

5.4 ASCOD Senator Vacancy – The ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and vote on the recommendation Evan Blankenship.

5.5 ASCOD Senator Vacancy – The ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and vote on the recommendation of Elijah White.

5.6 ASCOD Senator Vacancy – The ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and vote on the recommendation of Amy Yaple.

Club Charter: K-Pop Club, SNA Cub, Pre-Law Society Club, Alas Con Futuro Club

6. Information/Discussion Items

6.1 ASCOD Homecoming – The ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and receive information regarding Homecoming.

6.2 ASCOD Best Practices- The ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and receive information regarding guidelines

6.3 Vacant Officer of Communications Position – The ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and receive information regarding the vacant position.

7. Committee and Taskforce Reports:

ASCOD STANDING COMMITTEES

7.1 Budget and Finance: Chair: Joselyn G. Members: Santiago V., Jose A., Juan F.	7.2 Executive Council: Chair: Amber S. Members:
7.3 Constitution and Bylaws: Chair: Juan F. Members: William G., Amber S.	7.4 Governmental Relations: Chair: Estrellita R. Members: Santiago V., Amber S., Juan F.
7.5 Equity and Diversity: Chair: Santiago V. Members: Jazmin M., Amber S.	7.6 Public Relations: Chair: William G. Members: Estrellita R., Santiago V.
7.7 Events: Chair: Savannah P. Members: Estrellita R., Jose A., Joselyn G.	7.8 Elections Committee: Chair: Juan F. Members: Estrellita R., Savannah P., William G.

COD STANDING COMMITTEES

7.9 Academic Senate: Jose A.	7.10 Academic Calendar Committee: Jose A.
7.11 Assessment of Planning & Outcomes (APO) (CPC Sub-Committee): Juan F.	7.12 Automotive Advisory Committee: Amber S. (Santiago V.)
7.13 Bookstore Advisory Committee: William G. (Jazmin M.)	7.14 Budget Sub-Committee: Joselyn G. (Jose A.)
7.15 Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee: Estrellita R.	7.16 COD Foundation Board: Amber S.
7.17 College Planning Council (CPC): Amber S. (William G.)	7.18 Data Evaluation Sub-Committee: Juan F. (Amber S.)
7.19 Diversity Committee:	7.20 DSPS Advisory Committee: Santiago V.
7.21 Dual Enrollment Committee: Estrellita R. (Santiago V.)	7.22 Strong Workforce Steering:
7.23 EOPS/CARE and Foster Youth Advisory Committee: Joselyn G. (Savannah P.)	7.24 Equity Committee: Estrellita R.
7.25 Enrollment Management Committee: Santiago V.	7.26 Facilities Advisory Committee: Juan F. (Estrellita R.)
7.27 Faculty Development Committee: William G.	7.28 Food Services Advisory Committee: Joselyn G., Jose A., Jazmin M., Santiago V., (Estrellita R.)
7.29 Gender and Sexual Diversity Pride Center Advisory Committee: William G. (Santiago V.)	7.30 Guided Pathways: Juan F., William G., Joselyn G., Jose A., Savannah P., Jazmin Murua., Amber S., Estrellita R.
7.31 Information and Technology Systems: Santiago V.	7.32 Matriculation/SSSP Advisory Committee: Estrellita R.
7.33 Outreach/Training (CPC Committee): Joselyn G. (Savannah P.)	7.34 Safety Committee: Juan F. (Santiago V.)
7.35 Transfer Advisory Committee: Jose A.	7.36 Guided Pathways Steering Committee: Savannah P. (Joselyn G.)
7.37 Commencement Taskforce:	

COD ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEES

7.38 Curriculum Committee: Joselyn G.	7.39 Educational Policies and Practices: Santiago V. (Juan F.)
7.40 Educational Technologies and Distance Education: Jose A.	7.41 Outcomes and Assessment Committee: Amber S. (Santiago V.)

COD/ASCOD AD-HOC COMMITTEES

7.42 Website Redesign Steering Committee: Santiago V. (Savannah P.)	

8. Future Agenda Items:

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.*

10. Adjournment: