Associated Students of College of the Desert

ASCOD MEETING MINUTES
Meeting Date: 05/15/2023

1. **Organizational Items:**

   Call to Order: 2:16pm
   Roll Call:
   > **Executive Officers:**
   >> President: Vacant
   >> Vice President: Kelly Merchant (present)
   >> Secretary: Vacant
   >> Officer of Fiscal Affairs: Vacant
   >> Officer of Communications: Isaac Zarco (present)
   >> Officer of Academic Affairs: Natalie Upp (present)
   >> Officer of External Affairs: Samuel Wagner (present)
   >> Student Trustee: Allen Pahl (present)
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   > **Senators:**
   >> Aaron Sanchez (present)
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   > **Advisor:**
   >> Carlos Maldonado (present)
   >> Danny Torres (present)

Approval of Agenda
It was moved by K. Merchant to approve the agenda, seconded by N. Upp. Motion carried without objection.

Approval of Minutes
It was moved by K. Merchant to approve the agenda, seconded by N. Upp. Motion carried without objection.

2. **Public Comment:**
   None

3. **Guest Speaker:**
   None

4. **COVID Updates:**
   None

5. **Reports:**

   ASCOD President:
   - *None*

   ASCOD Vice President:
   - *None*

   Secretary:
   - *None*

Officer of Communications:
- *None*

Officer of Academic Affairs:
- *None*

Officer of External Affairs:
- *None*

Officer of Fiscal Affairs:
- *None*

Student Trustee:
- *Announced that the last Board of Trustees meeting of the academic year will be on Friday, May 19th.*

Senator Sanchez:
- *None*

ASCOD Advisor:
- *C. Maldonado spoke with all of ASCOD and congratulated and thanked them for all of their hard work this year, and particularly A. Pahl for stepping up and filling two student senate roles.*

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 Educational Master Plan – The ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to approve appointments to the Educational Master Plan Workgroup

It was motioned by K. Merchant, and seconded by N. Upp with no objections. A. Pahl discussed the importance and goal to have (2) representatives appointed and ready to be a part of the Educational Master Plan workgroup. K. Merchant and I. Zarco were voted and appointed into this roll with no objections.

Club Charter:

None

7. Information/Discussion Items:

7.1 Elections – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss the Elections for the upcoming 2023-2024 School Year

Motioned by A. Sanchez, and seconded by K. Merchant with no objections. C. Maldonado reported there was a total of 198 verified votes, and announced the winners; Kelly Merchant for the position of President, Djuane Nunley for the position of Vice President, Donovan Upp for the position of Officer of Communications, Felipe Robles for the position of Officer of External Affairs, Isaac Zarco for the position of

Student Trustee, and Abdiel Morales, Denzel Garcia, Kaden Olson, Kiara Thomas, and Madigan Escobar for the positions of Independent Senator. C. Maldonado reported that there were write-in candidates for other positions that need to be verified for eligibility before announcement.

7.2 Office Cleanup – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss information regarding the ASCOD office for the end of the ASCOD 2022-2023 term.

Motioned by K. Merchant and seconded by A. Sanchez with no objections. D. Torres and A. Pahl spoke with ASCOD to remind members to please clean and clear out their desk area, and take their belongings home so the office would be ready for incoming members.

7.3 ASCOD Lunch – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss updates regarding the ASCOD Lunch occurring on May 22, 2023 at 2:30pm

Motioned by A. Sanchez and seconded by K. Merchant with no objections. ASCOD discussed and all agreed and confirmed having the final luncheon at the Cheesecake Factory.

8. Committee and Taskforce Reports

ASCOD STANDING COMMITTEES

8.1 Budget and Finance: **Chair:** K. Merchant **Members:** A. Pahl, S. Wagner, I. Zarco	**8.2 Executive Council:** **Chair:**
8.3 Constitution and Bylaws: **Chair:** S. Wagner **Members:** A. Sanchez, I. Zarco, A. Pahl, N. Upp	**8.4 Governmental Relations:** **Chair:** S. Wagner **Members:** A. Sanchez, A. Pahl
8.5 Equity and Diversity: **Chair:** A. Sanchez **Members:** K. Merchant	**8.6 Public Relations:** **Chair:** **Members:** A. Pahl, N. Upp, K. Merchant, I. Zarco
8.7 Events: **Chair:** A. Pahl **Members:** K. Merchant, A. Sanchez, S. Wagner, N. Upp, I. Zarco	**8.8 Elections Committee:** **Chair:** N. Upp **Members:** A. Pahl, A. Sanchez

COD STANDING COMMITTEES

8.09 Academic Calendar Committee: A. Pahl	**8.10 Assessment of Planning & Outcomes (APO) (CPC sub-committee):**
8.11 Bookstore Advisory Committee: A. Sanchez	**8.12 Budget Sub-Committee:**
8.13 College Planning Council (CPC): A. Pahl, K. Merchant	**8.14 Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee:** K. Merchant
8.15 Data Evaluation Sub-Committee:	**8.16 Diversity Committee:** S. Wagner
8.17 DSPS Advisory Committee: A. Sanchez	**8.18 Enrollment Management Committee:** I. Zarco
8.19 EOPS/CARE and Foster Youth Advisory Committee: S. Wagner	**8.20 Equity Committee:** N. Upp
8.21 Facilities Advisory Committee: N. Upp	**8.22 Food Services Advisory Committee:** A. Sanchez
8.23 Gender and Sexual Diversity Pride Center Advisory Committee: S. Wagner	**8.24 Matriculation/SSSP Advisory Committee:** I. Zarco
8.25 Outreach/Training (CPC Sub-Committee):	**8.26 Safety Committee:** K. Merchant

8.27 Transfer Advisory Committee:	8.28 Academic Senate: N. Upp
8.29 COD Foundation Board: A. Pahl	

COD ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEES

8.29 Curriculum Committee:	8.30 Educational Policies and Practices: I. Zarco
8.31 Educational Technologies and Distance Education:	8.32 Outcomes and Assessment Committee:

COD/ASCOD AD-HOC COMMITTEES

Palms Springs Development Project Advisory Group: K. Merchant	The accreditation Workgroup:
Electric Vehicle Charging Stations Workgroup: Chair: Members: A. Pahl	

9. **Communication from the floor:**

   None

10. **Adjournment: 3:08pm**

Print Name ASCOD Secretary/President	Signature ASCOD Secretary/President	Date

Print Name ASCOD Advisor	Signature ASCOD Advisor	Date