

Associated Students of College of the Desert

ASCOD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: 09/25/2023



1. **Organizational Items:**
Call to Order: 2:00pm

Roll Call:

Executive Officers:

President: Kelly Merchant (present)
Vice President: DJuane Nunley (absent)
Secretary: Madaline Nunley (present)
Officer of Fiscal Affairs: Kaden Olson (present)
Officer of Academic Affairs Madigan Escobar (present)
Officer of External Affairs: Felipe Robles (present)
Officer of Communications: Donovan Upp (present)
Student Trustee: Isaac Zarco (present)

Senators:

Senator 1: Kiara Thomas (absent)
Senator 2: Megan Jensen (excused absent)
Senator 3: Denzel Garcia (present)
Senator 4: Daniela Mateus-Paloma (present)
Senator 5: Christopher Martinez (absent-late)
Senator 6: Vacant

Advisors:

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

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by I. Zarco to approve the agenda, seconded by K. Olson. Motion carried without objection.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by K. Olson to approve the agenda, seconded by L. Nunley. Motion carried without objection.

2. **Public Comment:**
None.

3. **Guest Speaker:**

Stuart Davis – Executive Director, Educational Technology – Postponed.

4. **COVID Updates:**
None.

5. **Reports:**

ASCOD President:

Attended CPC.

ASCOD Vice President:

None.

Secretary:

None.

Officer of Communications:

M. Escobar will be attending meeting in place of D. Upp @ the Information Technology Systems committee.

Officer of Academic Affairs:

None.

Officer of External Affairs:

None.

Officer of Fiscal Affairs:

None.

Student Trustee:

None.

Senators:

None.

Advisors:

Danny: Reminded ASCOD about building awareness of Club Rush and Spirit Week.

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:

6.1 Committee Appointments – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to adjust the ASCOD / COD Standing Committee appointments for the 2023- 2024 academic year.

Moved by L. Nunley and seconded by M. Escobar.

- *C. Martinez added to 8.1 Budget and Finance, 8.6 Public Relations and 8.8 Elections Committee.*
- *D. Mateus- Paloma added to 8.5 Equity and Diversity, 8.6 Public Relations and 8.8 Elections Committee.*
- *D. Upp added to Events Committee.*

Motion carried without any objection.

6.2 COD Public Safety Standards of Operating Procedures Updates - ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take a stance on the Public Safety Standards SOP as presented by Student Trustee Zarco and President Merchant.

Moved by L. Nunley and seconded by K. Olson.

- *President Merchant took 3-minute recess @2:20 meeting resumed @2:23*
- *Want to adhere to the diversity on campus and anything reported so can adjusted as needed.*
- *They do not carry weapons, everything they wear must be approved by the Director.*
- *One recommendation was the maps that referenced the off-campus campuses should be given names as to the campuses they are, so they are not confusing.*
- *Students need to go through DSPS for approval of service animals.*
- *Dial 2111 to get your public safety for any questions or reports to them on any COD Campus.*

- They can make arrests as private citizens and notify the Director immediately of citizens' arrest. No legal obligations if safety is an issue. The procedure would be to call local law enforcement.
- Can use necessary force as needed.
- 5 questions that we will be asked Who? What? When? Where? How?

Moved to approve the SOP when it goes to CPC, carried without objection.

New Business:

6.3 ASCOD Trainings Calendar Revisions - ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to approve a revised calendar for leadership trainings for the 2023-2024 academic year as presented by President Merchant.

Moved by L. Nunley and seconded by K. Olson.

- Many barriers trying to get people to be able to come so they are now made voluntary, but dates are going to be the same.
- 1hr in duration after ASCOD Meetings.

Dates will be:

- October 16th – Networking
- November 6th – Brown Act
- November 20th -Communications
- December 4th- Elevator Speech

Winter Retreat

- February 5th- Effective Constituent Canvassing

Motion carried without any objection.

6.4 ASCOD Lunch and Learn Budget – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to approve a budget not to exceed \$3000 for a Lunch and Learn series as presented by Trustee Zarco.

Moved by C. Martinez and seconded by K. Olson.

- Budget moved up to 3,000 for flexibility.
- \$15 per person including plate and drink.
- 5 meetings entire academic year dates to be determined.

Motion carried at a vote 8 in favor and 1 opposed.

6.5 ASCOD Appointments – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to appoint Rene Dunn to the position of Independent Senator for the 2023-2024 academic year.

Moved by L. Nunley and seconded by K. Olson.

- Met with Rene and seen that she is a very candidate.
- She has a beautification on campus to replace the over 200 plants that are missing on campus.

Motion carried without objection.

6.6 ASCOD Appointments – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to appoint Yulissa Lopez Ramirez to the position of Independent Senator for the 2023-2024 academic year.

Moved by K. Olson and seconded by L. Nunley.

- Major is political science.
- Active member and president through high school.

- Active member of College Corps for current year.

Item postponed until further deliberation.

Motion carried without objection.

Club Charter:

CODIS – College of the Desert Information Systems

K. Merchant read the description of the club aloud. Presented no remarkable items in the club charter. Club was approved unanimously.

FACES Club – Fashion

K. Merchant read the description of the club aloud. Presented no remarkable items in the club charter. Club was approved unanimously.

7. Information/Discussion Items:

7.1 Spirit Week – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss the events of Spirit Week occurring September 25- 28. Moved by L. Nunley and seconded by K. Olson.

- C. Martinez: Developing certain roles would be easier. Two people talking about both.
- M. Escobar: Trouble directing people as to where the student lounge is. Located inside the Dining Hall Building.
- D. Mateus-Paloma: suggested that developing roles would be better.
- D. Garcia: suggested that we fix the way we know that every table attended gets their food and will be given out for tomorrow. Will be discussed further with Events Committee.
- M. Escobar: suggested that we figure out a better way to have any food that will be given out.
- Wednesday set up will be in the student lounge from 10-4.
- Thursday will be @ outdoor amphitheater from 11-1. 2hrs.
 - o Opportunity Drawing 7-prizes.
 - 3 beanies
 - 3 hats
 - A dozen doughnuts

8. Committee and Taskforce Reports:

ASCOD STANDING COMMITTEES

<p>8.1 Budget and Finance: Chair: K. Olsen Members: K. Thomas, M. Nunley</p>	<p>8.2 Executive Council: Chair: K. Merchant Members: D. Nunley, M. Nunley, I. Zarco, K. Olson, D. Upp, F. Robles</p>
<p>8.3 Constitution and Bylaws: Chair: M. Escobar Members: K. Merchant, K. Olson</p>	<p>8.4 Governmental Relations: Chair: D. Garcia Members: I. Zarco, M. Escobar</p>
<p>8.5 Equity and Diversity: Chair: D. Nunley Members: F. Robles, K. Thomas</p>	<p>8.6 Public Relations: Chair: M. Nunley Members: F. Robles, D. Nunley</p>
<p>8.7 Events: Chair: K. Merchant Members: M. Nunley, M. Escobar, K. Olson, D. Garcia, D. Upp</p>	<p>8.8 Elections Committee: Chair: K. Merchant Members: D. Garcia, F. Robles</p>

COD STANDING COMMITTEES

8.09 Academic Calendar Committee: K. Merchant	8.10 Assessment of Planning & Outcomes (APO) (CPC sub-committee): M. Nunley
8.11 Bookstore Advisory Committee: I. Zarco	8.12 Budget Sub-Committee: K. Olson, temporary
8.13 College Planning Council (CPC): K. Merchant, I. Zarco <i>-K. Merchant; CPC, reviewed separate handbooks, COD Indigenous, Outreach & Training committee Revival. Shared Governance w/ APO</i>	8.14 Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee: K. Merchant
8.15 Data Evaluation Sub-Committee: K. Olson	8.16 Diversity Committee: D. Nunley
8.17 DSPS Advisory Committee: K. Thomas	8.18 Enrollment Management Committee: M. Escobar
8.19 EOPS/CARE and Foster Youth Advisory Committee: M. Nunley	8.20 Equity Committee: D. Nunley
8.21 Facilities Advisory Committee: M. Escobar	8.22 Food Services Advisory Committee: D. Upp, D. Nunley, F. Robles, K. Olson
8.23 Gender and Sexual Diversity Pride Center Advisory Committee: K. Thomas	8.24 Matriculation/SSSP Advisory Committee: F. Robles
8.25 Outreach/Training (CPC Sub-Committee): I. Zarco	8.26 Safety Committee: K. Merchant
8.27 Transfer Advisory Committee: M. Nunley	8.28 Academic Senate: D. Garcia
8.29 COD Foundation Board: D. Upp	8.30 Information and Technology Systems: D. Upp
8.31 Faculty Development Committee:	

COD ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEES

8.32 Curriculum Committee: D. Garcia	8.33 Educational Policies and Practices: D. Garcia
8.34 Educational Technologies and Distance Education: M. Escobar	8.36 Outcomes and Assessment Committee: F. Robles

COD/ASCOD AD-HOC COMMITTEES

Palms Springs Development Project Advisory Group: K. Merchant	The accreditation Workgroup:
Educational Master Plan Workgroup: K. Merchant, I. Zarco <i>-Educational Master Plan; set up transfer ability early. Increase certification completion. Enrollment recovery for Fall, Winter and Spring semesters. Still working on transportation. Dual enrollment.</i>	Resource Lunches Committee : Chair: I. Zarco Members: K. Olson, D. Garcia, M. Jensen, M. Escobar <i>I. Zarco updated plan for Lunch and Learn dates: Every Monday from 12-1 except for the event on April 3rd that will be held Wednesday from 12-1.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - October 16th: Financial Aid - November 7th: Transfer - February 5th: Scholarship - April 3rd: Mental Health - May – Date pending approval

9. Communication from the floor:

None.

10. Adjournment: 3:55 pm

Print Name ASCOD Secretary/President

Signature ASCOD Secretary/President

Date

Print Name ASCOD Advisor

Signature ASCOD Advisor

Date