



Academic Senate – All Faculty

Agenda for September 12th

12:30 pm – 1:50 pm

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Academic Senate Mission Statement: As the official voice of faculty in academic and professional matters at the College of the Desert, the Academic Senate is committed to equity, student learning and student success. The Academic Senate at College of the Desert is committed to:

Lead and advocate proactively for the development of policies, processes, and practices that benefit student success and develop faculty leaders;

Include diverse faculty, perspectives, and experiences that represent our student populations in our decision making;

Empowering faculty to engage the shared governance of College of the Desert in the 10+1 areas and to take-action for continued improvement of teaching, learning, and faculty participation in the areas of:

1. Curriculum including establishing prerequisites and placing courses within disciplines
2. Degree and certificate requirements
3. Grading policies
4. Educational program development and educational program discontinuance
5. Standards or policies regarding student preparation and success
6. District and college governance structures, as related to faculty roles
7. Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes, including self-study and annual reports
8. Policies for faculty professional development activities
9. Processes for program review
10. Processes for institutional planning and budget development

❖ **Other academic and professional matters as mutually agreed upon between the governing board and the academic senate.**

Senate Executive Members:

Corbyn Wild, President; John Learned, Curriculum; Kurt Spurgin, Educational Policies & Practices; Jenne Carey, Ed Tech & Distance Ed; Leif Jordan, Faculty Development; Kristie Camacho, Outcomes & Assessment

Senators:

Social Sciences Oceana Collins, Health Sciences & Education Talon Hart/alt. Amy Hetherington, Science & Engineering Giuseppe Vezzoli/alt. Edith Rojas, Math & Computer Science Jorge Pérez/alt. Melissa Flora, Applied Science Cameron Miller/alt. Jeff Place, General Counseling Victoria Bautista/alt. Monica Lopez, Communication and Humanities **Vacant**, Library, DE, & Student Support Services **Vacant**/alt. Cora Leighton, Business Kurt Struwe/alt. Michael Hamilton, Arts & Media Lisa Soccio/alt. Jenne Carey, Adjunct Mike Gladych/alt. Lisa Davenport

Guests:

Recorder:

Cheryl Louise Etter, Academic Senate

Quorum 9 Majority 10:

Subject to Brown Act: Yes

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

1.1 Public Comments

2. Action Items

2.1 Approval of Agenda

2.2 Approval of Minutes: [2024-0523 AFS Draft Minutes.docx](#)

2.3 Consent

2.3.1 Curriculum Courses Approved through May 7, 2024.

2.4 Items removed from Consent

2.5 First Reading

2.5.1 AP 4240 Academic Renewal

3. Information/Discussion Items

3.1 Student Spotlights: [Fall 2024 Senate Student Spotlight Sign Up!](#)

3.2 TASC Reboot: [Anonymous TASC Survey](#)

3.3 DSPS Updates and Considerations

3.4 ACCJC Core Inquiries Update: Misty Burrell and Bert Bitanga

3.5 Jobs for the Future Learning Series

3.6 Academic Calendar 2025-2026

4. Reports/Updates

4.1 EPP: Kurt Spurgin

4.2 Ed Tech & DE: Jenne Carey

4.3 FDC: Leif Jordan

4.4 OAC: Kristie Camacho

4.5 Curriculum: John Learned

4.6 Student Rep: Daisy Mendieta

4.7 Adjuncts: Mike Gladych & Lisa Davenport

4.8 President: Corbyn Wild

5. Good of the Order

6. Future Agenda Topics

7. Adjournment

Next Meeting