

# Associated Students of College of the Desert

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## ASCOD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: 11/20/2023



### 1. Organizational Items:

Call to Order: 2:02pm

#### Roll Call:

##### Executive Officers:

President: Kelly Merchant (present)  
Vice President: DJuane Nunley (present)  
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 (Excused)

##### Senators:

Senator Denzel Garcia (present)  
Senator Kiara Thomas (Excused)  
Senator Megan Jensen (present)  
Senator Renee Dunn (Excused)  
Senator Christopher Martinez (present)  
Offsite Senator Yulissa Lopez-Ramirez (present)

##### Advisors:

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

### Approval of Agenda

*It was moved by K. Olson and seconded. Motion carried without objection.*

### Approval of Minutes

*It was moved unanimously. Motion carried without objection.*

### 2. Public Comment:

*CJ – UCLA Chicano Studies. Has a survey for young adults to see how we are transitioning into life after COVID. December 15<sup>th</sup> is the deadline to take this survey.*

### 3. Guest Speaker:

*None.*

### 4. COVID Updates:

*None.*

## 5. **Reports:**

### **ASCOD President:**

- *Office hours please finish filling out sign in sheet .*
- *Attended the Empowering Women Meeting*
- *Meeting with President Hope is rescheduled*
- *Faculty Color Caucus is hoding a community outreach event on Wednesday November 29<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm at the Mecca Thermal Campus*

### **ASCOD Vice President:**

- *ICC Meeting this week.*
- *Tues.25<sup>th</sup> & Wed. 26<sup>th</sup> of February next club rush event.*
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### **Secretary:**

- *None.*

### **Student Trustee:**

- *N/A.*

### **Officer of Communications:**

*-None.*

### **Officer of Academic Affairs:**

*-None.*

### **Officer of External Affairs:**

*- Bike Summit in San Diego. Webinar*

### **Officer of Fiscal Affairs:**

*-None.*

### **Senators:**

- *Y. Lopez-Ramirez – Spoke to advisor on moving courses from Coachella Valley Library. Only open at Coachella in an apartment complex from 8-2pm Mondays and Wednesdays.*
- *C. Martinez – Friendsgiving going on in the Pride Center.*

### **Advisors:**

*D. Torres:*

- *Office will be closed early today @ 4pm.*
- *Lunch and Learn the 30<sup>th</sup> of November from 12-1 MPR.*

*C. Maldonado:*

- *Veterans Day Event Thursday @ Amphitheater @ 12pm on Plam Desert Campus.*

## 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 High School Visitation Plan** – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to approve a plan to incorporate ASCOD in upcoming high school visitations as presented by Officer Olson.

*Moved by K Olson, seconded.*

- *In spring high schoolers would come in March. 3 Fridays in a row. for days called*
- *ASCOD Representative needed for EDGE/PLEDGE*
- *Tours are scheduled based on the schools reaching out to the school. Happen approximately 2-4 times a week*
- *Always need someone from ASCOD in the office from 9-12 for possible tours happening.*

*Motion to amend item 6.1 to COD Tours Plan- ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to approve a plan to incorporate ASCOD in upcoming COD tours.*

*Motion approved unanimously.*

*Public Relations Committee was assigned with creating the backbone of an ASCOD elevator pitch.*

**6.2 Final Fall ASCOD meeting** – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to approve a final ASCOD meeting to occur on December 11th, 2023.

*Moved by K. Olson, seconded.*

*ASCOD discussed the student benefits of not having a meeting during finals.*

*Motion Failed Unanimously.*

*ASCOD's final meeting for the Fall 2023 semester will be December 4<sup>th</sup>.*

**6.3 ASCOD Refrigerator Budget** – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss and possibly take action to approve a budget not to exceed \$500 for a refrigerator as presented by Officer Escobar.

*Moved by M, Escobar and seconded.*

*M. Escobar presented a plan for this budget. Concerns we raised on a possible fridge*

*Budget Approved Unanimously.*

*M. Escobar and F. Robles were assigned with creating a short list of alternative refrigerators to present at the next meeting.*

## **Club Charter:**

*None.*

## **7. Information/Discussion Items:**

**7.1 CCCSAA Debrief-** ASCOD Student Senate will discuss the workshops attended during CCSSAA and explore strategies for advancing their progress.

*Moved by M, Escobar and seconded.*

*D. Nunley discussed his takeaway from the CCCSAA Conference.*

- *Growing Your Student Counsel*
  - o *How to bring forth change in your community starting from your schooling.*
  - o *Throwing events to get better visibility.*
- *Ethical Decision Making*
  - o *It's one thing to be a leader and another to be an ethical decision maker.*
  - o *Tunnel Vision is when a leader will take any steps or make any decisions to get to where they want to be.*
  - o *People have blind spots and make unethical decisions.*
  - o *Do not make a decision that you do not feel okay with.*
- *Man Up*
  - o *Gender roles and traits that start from birth up.*
  - o *Negative Consequences of being a man*

**7.2 OER/ZTC Updates-** ASCOD Student Senate will discuss ASCOD OER/ZTC initiative updates from Officer Escobar and Upp.

*Moved K. Olson, seconded.*

- *Haven't heard anything from Jin. She may be out of the office.*
- *A place to store the Gingerbread House.*

**7.3 Student Panel** – ASCOD Student Senate will discuss the creation of a student panel comprised of five students in order to provide a platform for student voices in decision-making processes.

*Moved by M. Nunley, seconded.*

- *Students will discuss and present in front of staff their school experience here at COD.*
- *Will now be comprised of 5 ASCOD members as opposed to only three*
- *Members selected are K. Olson, F. Robles, M. Nunley, I. Zarco, K. Merchant*
  - o *Alternates are M. Escobar, D. Upp and R. Dunn*
- *Being held between one of these two days Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, between 10-4pm*

## **8. Committee and Taskforce Reports:**

*8.7 Events Committee- K. Olson December 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> tabling for students to raise spirits through the Finals Week. Palm Desert and Indio Both Days. 9-1pm Snacks, Games, and little giveaways.*

### **ASCOD STANDING COMMITTEES**

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

### COD STANDING COMMITTEES

<b>8.09 Academic Calendar Committee: K. Thomas</b>	<b>8.10 Assessment of Planning &amp; Outcomes (APO) (CPC sub-committee): M. Nunley</b>
<b>8.11 Bookstore Advisory Committee: I. Zarco (M. Jensen)</b>	<b>8.12 Budget Sub-Committee: K. Olson</b>
<b>8.13 College Planning Council (CPC): K. Merchant, I. Zarco</b>	<b>8.14 Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee: K. Merchant</b>
<b>8.15 Data Evaluation Sub-Committee: K. Olson, (R. Dunn)</b>	<b>8.16 Diversity Committee: D. Nunley</b>
<b>8.17 DSPS Advisory Committee: K. Thomas</b>	<b>8.18 Enrollment Management Committee: M. Jensen</b>
<b>8.19 EOPS/CARE and Foster Youth Advisory Committee: M. Nunley</b>	<b>8.20 Equity Committee: Y. Lopez-Ramirez</b>
<b>8.21 Facilities Advisory Committee: M. Escobar</b>	<b>8.22 Food Services Advisory Committee: D. Upp, D. Nunley, F. Robles, C. Martinez</b>
<b>8.23 Gender and Sexual Diversity Pride Center Advisory Committee: K. Thomas, (C. Martinez)</b>	<b>8.24 Matriculation/SSSP Advisory Committee: F. Robles</b>
<b>8.25 Outreach/Training (CPC Sub-Committee): K. Thomas (C. Martinez)</b>	<b>8.26 Safety Committee: Y. Lopez-Ramirez</b>
<b>8.27 Transfer Advisory Committee: M. Nunley</b>	<b>8.28 Academic Senate: M. Escobar</b>
<b>8.29 COD Foundation Board: D. Upp</b>	<b>8.30 Information and Technology Systems: D. Upp (K. Olson)</b>
<b>8.31 Faculty Development Committee: R. Dunn (D. Upp)</b>	<b>8.32 OER/ZTC Approach: M. Escobar (D. Upp)</b>

### COD ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEES

<b>8.33 Curriculum Committee: D. Garcia</b>	<b>8.34 Educational Policies and Practices: D. Garcia, (R. Dunn)</b>
<b>8.35 Educational Technologies and Distance Education: M. Escobar</b>	<b>8.36 Outcomes and Assessment Committee: K. Thomas (K. Merchant)</b>

**COD/ASCOD AD-HOC COMMITTEES**

<b>The accreditation Workgroup: D. Garcia</b>	<b>Calendar Schedule Workgroup: Y. Lopez-Martinez (K. Merchant)</b>
<b>Resource Lunches Committee:</b> <b>Chair: I. Zarco</b> <b>Members: K. Olson, D. Garcia, D. Nunley, M. Escobar.</b>	

**9. Communication from the floor:**

**10. Adjournment:** 3:39 pm

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Print Name ASCOD Advisor

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