

**Imperial Valley College**  
**Addiction Disorder Studies Advisory Committee**



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**Monday, July 11, 2022**

**5:00 P.M., Via Zoom**

**<https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/95162180880>**

**Unapproved Meeting Minutes**

**Committee Members**

Aaron Arreola | Cassandra Cota | Greg Gilman | Rudy Mercado | Aruna Patel, ADS Coordinator | Jovan Rodriguez, Restorative Justice Counselor | Lisa Solomon, History Professor | Austen Thelen, BSS Dept. Chair |

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

This was the committees initial meeting.

**3. Introduction**

Members introduced themselves and their role in the community.

Dr. Austen Thelen gave a brief overview of the Addiction Disorder Studies (ADS) Program and the importance of forming this special advisory committee.

**4. Purpose and Intent of the Committee Meeting**

Dr. Thelen explained the purpose and intent of the ADS Advisory Committee Meetings.

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- The meetings are held to connect with community leaders and industry professionals in the areas of ADS.
- The purpose of the committee is to recommend and advise the program, and ensure that students have the proper education, course offerings and opportunities to prepare them for goals, challenges, employment that exist in this critical area.
- Coordinator Patel addressed the needs and the value of having an advisory committee to assist the ADS program grow at I.V.C.

The ongoing services provided for ADS Inside/Out classes being held at the Imperial County Jail were also discussed.

**5. For the Good of the Order**

**6. Adjournment**