## **October Student Trustee Board Report**

## **Update from the Student Trustees:**

• On September 19, the Student Trustees met with former Student Trustee Joel Ndongmi to discuss the



Student-Led Collaborative Inquiry report which he and Trustee Taylor Dallin wrote last year. He reviewed the report's action items and worked with the Student Trustees to develop ways to implement change based on the report's findings.

- On September 24, the Student Trustees led the first CSLIT General Assembly of the year. Over 300 students from across the TCDSB were in attendance, and it was the largest GA in history. Only one high school was not represented. Guest speakers included Director Rory McGuckin, Tanika Riley, and Matthew "Testament" Jones.
- On September 27, Trustee Kathy Nguyen spoke at the grade 9 pep rally at Jean Vanier.
- On October 2, the Student Trustees unveiled their five pillars of focus at the Student Achievement board meeting in their annual Voices That Challenge report.
- On October 3, the Student Trustees attended the #CatholicDebate2019 federal debate at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre hosted by the Archdiocese of Toronto.
- On October 7, a group of CSLIT members attended the WE Federal Election Leadership Debate Live Viewing Party.
- On October 8, the Student Trustees led the first CSLIT Executive Council meeting of the year.

# **CSLIT:**

# Administrative Affairs

The Director of Administrative Affairs has ensured all tasks have been completed for the start of the 2019-2020 CSLIT year. This includes preparation for the first CSLIT General Assembly, assisting the Student Trustees in the revision of their annual Voices That Challenge Report, organizing votes for this year's Pillars of Focus, and the general supervision of the Executive Council and their activities. Moving forward, the Director of Administrative Affairs will continue to work alongside the Student Trustees and Executive Council to guarantee that the general activity of the CSLIT is well organized and efficient.

#### The Angel Foundation for Learning

The Angel Foundation for Learning subcommittee recently received many new members after the sign up at the very first CSLIT general assembly. Currently, a room has been booked for their very first meeting of the year. The main purpose of the first meeting will be to have all members introduce themselves and to have the students pitch in an idea regarding this year's plan for AFL and CSLIT .This upcoming December, the director of AFL has plans to organize a toy drive at the annual "Christmas social" hosted by the Social Affairs subcommittee, and has spoken to the SA executive to make sure that the Halloween Social has an entrance fee of at least \$2 in order to raise some money for AFL.

Moving forward, AFL's goal is to get more involved and to take advantage of any and every opportunity to fundraise (raffles, contests), to host AFL's very own event (such as a movie night or a carnival type of event at the CEC), and perhaps continue with last year's "CSLIT on Ice" initiative. After the meeting on Monday, October 7th there will be more information which will be available in the next board report in November.

#### Public Relations

In the month of September, Public Relations wrote the September CSLIT General Assembly blog post with a summary of what occurred. This allows both students and staff who attended and did not attend more clearly understand what the CSLIT is and what to expect at a General Assembly.

Public Relations also maintained the CSLIT Instagram and Twitter by live tweeting at the General Assembly and posting upcoming reminders of the meeting on Instagram. Instagram private messages have also been responded to in a timely manner with the information that was being inquired about. Public relations will continue to attend all leadership events and promote them on social media and the Catholic Student Leadership website.

#### <u>Faith</u>

The Faith Ambassador for the 2019-2020 school year has achieved all the necessary tasks for September. This includes creating the monthly introduction prayer and closing prayer for the September CSLIT general assembly meeting. Furthermore, creating the October introduction prayer and closing prayer for the monthly E-CSLIT general assembly meeting.

Henceforth, the Faith Ambassador can guarantee to carry on creating monthly prayers, organize sub-committee meetings, and remember the TCDSB community about the Catholic faith of being rooted in Christ.

#### Social Justice

The Director of Social Justice has begun preparations for the CSLIT Newcomer conference, including the recruitment of volunteers. The Director of Social Justice has also begun discussion of ideas within their respective subcommittee, and plans to host the first subcommittee meeting within the upcoming weeks.

Moving forward, the Director of Social Justice will continue to work alongside other members of Executive Council, the Student Trustees and with their subcommittee. They will plan and execute events with the purpose of promoting values of social justice within the TCDSB and the local community.

#### Social Affairs

The Director of Social Affairs has conducted their first subcommittee meeting of the year to ensure the immediate and efficient planning of all CSLIT events for the coming school year. At the subcommittee meeting, roles were designated for the upcoming board wide Halloween event, "Spooky Fiesta", which will take place after the October 29th General Assembly meeting. Also discussed was the admission fee for this event, which will be either 2 dollars or a minimum of 2 canned food items to support the Angel Foundation for Learning or the Daily Bread Food Bank. The Director of Social Affairs has also begun to think about toy, food, and clothing drives implemented in future events to support these foundations.

The Director of Social Affairs will continue to work alongside their subcommittee, Public Relations, Angel Foundation of Learning, the Student

Trustees, as well as the rest of the 2019-2020 CSLIT Executive's to guarantee success at all upcoming events such as Christmas Social, the annual CSLIT Gala, the end of the year BBQ, Destress Nights, as well as other events which are yet to be organized.

# **Equity**

The executive director of equity has been collaborating with the director of social justice for the upcoming newcomer conference. Time has been allocated towards building a plan of equity for the 2019/2020 school year. The goal for the Equity subcommittee is to implement equitable practices into TCDSB schools, and encourage students to live embody equity in our catholic practices.