

November Student Trustee Board Report

Update from the Student Trustees:



- On October 16, the Student Trustees acted as the emcees of the Newcomer Student Leadership Conference at the CEC. This event welcomed newcomers, including recent immigrants, refugees, and international students, to the TCDSB and shared with them a message of inclusion and belonging. The Student Trustees also led a workshop for attendees which sought to make them aware of the leadership opportunities available within the TCDSB.
- From October 17 to 20, the Student Trustees attended the OSTA-AECO Fall General Meeting at the Marriott Downtown at CF Toronto Eaton Centre hotel. They participated in professional development activities, listened to guest speakers, worked on advocacy at the provincial level, and networked with Student Trustees from across Ontario. Trustee Taylor Dallin led breakout sessions as the OSTA-AECO Operations Coordinator which were related to the seven working groups she oversees.
- On October 25, Trustee Taylor Dallin attended the Ontario Principals' Council Awards Dinner to accept the Outstanding Contribution to Education Award on behalf of OSTA-AECO.
- On October 29, the Student Trustees led the October CSLIT General Assembly meeting where hundreds of students from across the TCDSB gathered to share their voices and gain tools for their leadership toolboxes. Guest speakers included world-renowned speaker Bob Kittell, Glen Reyes from H4 Community, and Natalie Rizzo of Development and Peace.
- On November 5, the Student Trustees hosted a dinner with Michael Consul for parents/guardians of the CSLIT Executive Council. This provided them an opportunity to meet Michael Consul and learn more about their children's work with CSLIT and the greater TCDSB Catholic student leadership movement.
- From November 9 to 12, Trustee Kathy Nguyen attended SMILE (Students and Staff Maximizing Inter-Community Leadership Experience) Camp as a mentor for other secondary students. Students gathered to build a sense of community and identify issues at their school that need addressing.
- On November 15, the Student Trustees attended the Angel Foundation for Learning Gala with other student leaders.
- On November 18, the Student Trustees led a CSLIT Executive Council meeting.

CSLIT:

Administrative Affairs

This past month, The Director of Administrative Affairs has assisted in various tasks for the CSLIT. Tasks include recruiting volunteers for the 21C TCDSB Teacher Technology Event, organizing attendance from the Executive Team for the AFL Gala, and helping plan the CSLIT Executive's first parent dinner. For the monthly CSLIT General Assembly, the Director of Administrative Affairs will prepare all necessary documents needed, including the PowerPoint presentation, agenda, and minutes.

Social Affairs

The Director of Social Affairs commends their subcommittee and everyone who helped to organize the first board wide event of the 2019-2020 school year, Spooky Fiesta. The event, which took place on October 29th, was successful in bringing a group of amazing Catholic Leaders together to make unforgettable memories. Spooky Fiesta also prospered in the collection of both canned food and donations in support of the Angel Foundation for Learning. The Director of Social Affairs has also begun planning the Christmas Social, which will require extensive coordination from their subcommittee. Ultimately, the Director of Social Affairs will continue to work alongside their subcommittee and the rest of CSLIT's Executive team to ensure an astounding outcome at all other social events throughout the year, much like the result of Spooky Fiesta.

Angel Foundation for Learning

The Angel Foundation for Learning subcommittee has met with some of its members and recently hosted their very first bake sale at CSLIT's annual "Spooky Fiesta." With plenty of students contributing, the bake sale raised a little over \$180 for AFL. The next steps for AFL will be to meet up at least two more times before the month of December in order to discuss what the plan is for the month. There are high hopes of running "CSLIT on Ice", or of partaking in some sort of Christmas event with the Social Affairs subcommittee. That will all be discussed within the next few meetings. Moving forward, AFL's goal is to build on what has already been started. Starting with a much more pressing social media presence, AFL plans to advertise and to continue to receive new members as the year goes on. Hopefully this means more independent events and fundraisers for the coming months, and collaboration with other subcommittees.

Elementary Affairs

The Elementary Catholic Student Leadership Impact Team held their second meeting of the year on November 7, 2019. Quigley hall was filled wall to wall with elementary student leaders. This month's guest speaker was Matthew Jones, A.K.A Testament, who spoke about leading through faith. It was engaging, interactive, and inspiring. The student leaders were also asked to group with their schools to compile a list of issues they believe are pressing and must be focused on. These lists will be analyzed and from them the pillars of focus for ECSLIT will be created.

Equity

The equity subcommittee has been working towards planning the Inclusion and Belonging retreat this past month. Alongside Inclusion and Belonging, the main focus of this year is incorporating the pastoral plan's "we belong" into CSLIT. Equity will help install these values into schools through CSLIT's general assemblies. Some other exciting news is the partnership between Social Justice and Equity's subcommittees. For the remainder of the year, both groups will be working closely together and trying to tackle many equity and social justice issues within our board.

Faith

The CSLIT Executive Team's Faith Ambassador has reached all the goals for the month of October 2018. This includes creating and leading prayers for both CSLIT and ECSLIT meetings for the month and hosting the first Faith sub-committee meeting. In addition to this, volunteering during the weekend for St. Vincent De Paul's "Bundle Up" campaign with the Faith sub-committee members. So far in November the Faith Ambassador has created and lead the prayers for the month. The Faith Ambassador wishes to continue putting the community's faith into action by organizing this year's Faith Camp, volunteering in the city with others and continuing to arrange sub-committee meetings.

Public Relations

Since the month of September Public Relations has attended, promoted, and live-tweeted the Newcomer Conference, Catholic Student Leadership General Assembly, and CSLIT's Halloween event "Spooky Fiesta." Public Relations has

also written the Elementary Catholic Student Leadership Impact Team's October and November blog posts. The Public Relations team will continue to fulfil their goal of raising awareness of Catholic Student Leadership events within the TCDSB through Instagram, Twitter, and the Catholic Student Leadership website.