

## **March Student Trustee Board Report**

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



- On February 25, the Student Trustees hosted the February CSLIT General Assembly, welcoming hundreds of students from across the TCDSB in a spirit of community and leadership. One of the guest speakers was Aloysius Wong, a student from the University of Toronto who came to speak about mental health. Another one of the featured guest speakers was Mikey from Positive Gear. Throughout the meeting, the Student Trustees and the rest of the CSLIT Executive Council shared several opportunities, such as Faith Camp, CSLIT sweaters, Digital Learning Week, and the Ontario Student Voice Awards.
- On February 27, the Student Trustees had a meeting with the Education Lead for the Toronto Youth Cabinet.
- On March 2, the Student Trustees launched the 2020 Student Trustee application.
- On March 4, the Student Trustees attended the Angel Foundation for Learning Board of Directors Meeting.
- Throughout the month, the Student Trustees supported the work of the Executive Council, including the planning of Faith Camp and Destress Night.

### **CSLIT:**

#### **Administrative Affairs**

This past month, the Director of Administrative Affairs has continued in organizing Catholic Student Leadership sweater orders, in which all proceeds will be going towards the Angel Foundation for Learning. In addition to this, the Director of Administrative Affairs has also helped promote applications for the position of Student Trustee, and opportunities such as the Lift Jesus Higher Rally. The Director of Administrative Affairs will be continuing to assist the Student Trustees in all CSLIT matters, and will be preparing necessary documents for the CSLIT's March General Assembly.

#### **Social Affairs**

The Director of Social Affairs has met with their predecessor to ensure that proper budgets are followed and responsibilities are met in planning the annual

Gala and barbecue. The Director of Social Affairs has begun to reach out to possible venue options for the Gala, and continues to keep their subcommittee informed of these possibilities. The Social Affairs subcommittee has successfully brainstormed a unique theme for this year's Gala. The Director of Social Affairs has also planned for a distress night sometime in the month of March, keeping in mind the date of the General Assembly for all high school students. The Director of Social Affairs looks forward to collaborating with the Directors of Elementary Affairs to plan an event at an ECSLIT meeting in the following months as well to promote inclusion and welcoming of elementary students.

### Public Relations

In the month of February, the Public Relations Coordinators have attended and promoted the first Catholic Student Leadership Impact Team General Assembly of the new decade! A recap video was made and is posted on social media. At the General Assembly, live tweets were made to inform those not in attendance what happened. The coordinators will continue to supervise the CSLIT social media accounts, attend leadership events, and write live-tweets to promote Catholic Student Leadership.

### Faith

The Faith Ambassador has fulfilled all the responsibilities for CSLIT and E-CSLIT in the month of March. This includes creating the opening and closing prayer about this month's virtue of forgiveness. As well as hosting many subcommittee meetings in preparation for next month's Faith Camp. Moreover, the Faith Ambassador along with seven sub-committee members attended the Lift Jesus Higher Rally. At this event, the Faith sub-committee was able to grow their relationship with each other and have a connection with God from a different perspective. The Faith Ambassador of the CSLIT executive council aims to attend more events such as this one and create ones as well to bring others closer to God.

### Social Justice

The Director of Social Justice has been working with the Director of Equity to host several events. In April or May, the Director of Social Justice and the Director of Equity hope to host the Inclusion and Belonging Retreat/Leadership Conference. The Directors and their respective subcommittees have already begun contacting potential speakers and the planning of workshops. Future subcommittee

meetings have been planned. The Director of Social Justice will discuss with their respective subcommittee to figure out the logistics of the event in the following months. Furthermore, the Director of Social Justice has been planning for related CSLIT events, such as assisting the Director of Social Affairs in the planning of the annual Gala.

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.

### Equity

The equity team is volunteering and partaking in the facilitation of the Anti-Racism conference on April 28th, at York University. This will help our team bring techniques to squash problems in our board, and schools, concerning many different types of racism. The focus of equity has been shifted from Inclusion and Belonging to Multiculturalism and Inclusion. This is to represent a greater population while also advocating for our smaller marginalized groups of students. It is very important to CSLIT to celebrate and embrace the importance of multiculturalism both in the TCDSB and Toronto. In order to infiltrate more multiculturalism into CSLIT, our annual student summit conference Voices That Challenge will have a Culture Shock theme created by students in CSLIT.

### Elementary Affairs

This month, the Directors of Elementary affairs have rescheduled their March ECSLIT meeting. Originally Thursday March 5th, the meeting is now slated for Thursday March 12th, due to the OECTA strike on the 5th. March's meeting is scheduled to have Glen Reyes and the H4 community students as guest speakers. These speakers will be especially useful to student leaders transitioning into secondary school, as they will be covering topics pertaining to Catholic Student Leadership at the secondary level, and about high school in general.

### Angel Foundation for Learning

The Angel Foundation for Learning subcommittee has hosted their monthly meeting for March. Attendees have discussed future plans for AFL and have come up with fresh ideas to fundraise at CSLIT. There is a plan for the upcoming CSLIT barbecue and gala that involve flower grams and carnival-like activities for the

students. Currently, all members are focused on gathering supplies and inquiring about all other possible fundraising activities available.

Moving forward, AFL's goal is to purchase supplies and prepare for the rest of the school year in regards to fundraisers. The subcommittee will meet again next month and the director will stay in contact with everyone until then to continue the discussion. Once again, the focus is to continue to meet deadlines for CSLIT and promote AFL at student run events.