# **MONTH Student Trustee Board Report**

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

• On March 28th, Student Trustee Nguyen joined Toronto Star to speak about anti-Asian racism, identity and working in solidarity.



- On March 30th, the Student Trustees hosted the March CSLIT General Assembly, introducing the 2021/2023 Student Trustee candidates, and past TCDSB Student Trustee Rhea Carlisle as the guest speaker.
- On March 30th, the Student Trustees organized the first-ever meeting for the 2SLBTQ+ CSLIT Student Committee to discuss upcoming initiatives.
- On April 7th, Student Trustee Baybayon met with the OSTA-AECO's Catholic Board Council to discuss planning for Ontario Catholic Student Youth Day and Catholic Education Week.
- On April 15th, Student Trustee Baybayon began the first tutoring training session for CSLIT's first-ever tutoring program, All Students Can Excel.

# **CSLIT:**

## **Elementary Affairs**

On Thursday, April 1st, 2021, the Directors of Elementary Affairs hosted the monthly ECSLIT general assembly. This was a celebration of Holy Thursday and Easter. Communications director, Shazia Vlahos, offered words of wisdom as the board welcome. The guest speaker for the meeting, Q. Wilson, taught students the value of leadership through service and the importance of Easter. The Directors of Elementary Affairs will continue fulfilling their role by constantly updating leadership opportunities on the ECSLIT Instagram page, hosting monthly ECSLIT meetings and working closely with the CSLIT executive council for upcoming months.

## Administrative Affairs

The Director of Administrative Affairs continued to work closely with the Student Trustees and the CSLIT Executive to ensure that the monthly CSLIT General Assemblies can occur through virtual platforms. Furthermore, the Director of Administrative Affairs has been working on creating events as a part of the Mental Health and Well-Being pillar. With the Director of Social Affairs and PR's help, the Director of Administrative Affairs carried out an Easter initiative, where students and teachers across the TCDSB wrote letters to those in retirement homes who could not see their families. The Director of Administrative Affairs will continue to assist the Student Trustees on all CSLIT matters during this time of COVID-19 physical distancing

#### Social Affairs

For April, Social Affairs successfully created and delivered over fifty hand-written postcards for those living in retirement homes during Covid. Members of the CSLIT were featured in the Catholic Register for this initiative. In addition, the subcommittee has been creating fun and entertaining videos such as "How To Bake Bread" and "DIY phone charms" to post on the CSLIT Tiktok to provide entertainment for the CSLIT community. For the upcoming month, Social Affairs will continue to work alongside the Director of Faith for the upcoming virtual Faith Camp.

### Social Justice

The Director of Social Justice and the subcommittee have released the first of the three parts of the documentary series about COVID-19. All three parts were filmed, including a round table discussion, a one-line answer to a question, and an exclusive interview with the Director of Social Justice about the different ways the lives of youth have been forever changed during this pandemic. The committee will continue to work on editing the other two parts to launch them on the social media pages.

#### Public Relations

For March, the Public Relations Team has continued their efforts in promoting CSLIT events to our social media platforms. This has been done by working handin-hand with CSLIT Executive members, and our Student Trustees, to promote and advertise events such as our General Assemblies for CSLIT and ECSLIT, Smile Camp, and Let's Talk Faith. Above all, the Public Relations Team has made it their priority to continue their service in providing students with the most up to date information on leadership opportunities and events

### Equity

Between March and April, the Equity subcommittee has had their "Cash class vs student resources" webinar for students interested in learning about financial

literacy and the different resources supports that are out there. Within this webinar, we had a guest speaker who presented the different ways on how to save, invest, and grow your money as well as how to file your taxes. The subcommittee also presented the different student clubs and initiatives that are available for students as well as the different job and tutoring opportunities that Toronto public library provides. The subcommittee also held their 9th and 10th Zen-doodle where students got the opportunity to listen to a presentation about advice regarding university and setting future goals. The Catholic Youth Black Alliance is beginning their process of creating a podcast where students will be able to voice their opinions on current events. The Podcast will be called "Hear me out!"

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

The Faith Ambassador has constructed monthly CSLIT GA, E-CSLIT GA and Let's Talk Faith opening and closing prayers to ensure that prayer remains a staple in our monthly leadership meetings. The Faith Ambassador also hosted a Let's Talk Faith spiritual nourishment webinar for March, based on "Leadership through Service", with guest speaker and Salesian Dalila D'Andrea. The next goal the Faith Subcommittee is planning is to host a Let's Talk Faith for April themed on "Faith and our Mental Health", in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Faith ambassador's next goal, along with help from the Social Affairs subcommittee, is working toward facilitating a virtual version of the annual Faith Camp which is scheduled to take place on May 20th.

#### Angel Foundation for Learning

During March and the beginning of April, the AFL Director and his Sub-Committee launched their Easter Basket Initiative; selling, creating and delivering Easter baskets to the 100+ orders they received. In the end, the Sub-Committee reached over \$1000 in profit which will be going towards the AFL equity fund to support equality amongst the students of the TCDSB. This fund will supply impoverished groups with the supplies that they need. For the future, the AFL Director and his committee will continue to think of fundraiser ideas. We are thinking of having one more big fundraiser for the end of the school year that will also contribute to the equity fund. Depending on the COVID-19 restrictions we are hoping to see if we can do a face-to-face event, if not, we will continue to follow the guidelines of Toronto Public Health for any future event we create.