

January Student Trustee Board Report

Update from the Student Trustees:



- Stephanie and David met with the CSLIT Executive team during the month of december to discuss upcoming initiatives and events.
- David and Stephanie hosted the December CSLIT General Assembly along with the executive team. The assembly involved speakers from Development and Peace. The event was followed up by a Christmas social, planned by our director of social affairs.
- In December, Stephanie and David attended the OSTA-AECO catholic board council cabinet meeting, where they discussed upcoming projects.
- Stephanie attended the OCSTA January seminar to learn, network, and engage with other Trustees.
- Stephanie had a meeting with CPCO President and Executive Director to establish OSTA-AECO's vision and partnership for the term.
- Stephanie attended the OSTA-AECO executive council retreat in Downtown Toronto to plan for the upcoming Board Council Conference
- Stephanie spoke with the Toronto Star about upcoming exam season and what it means for exams to be fully in person and weighted at a normal percentage after being affected by the pandemic.
- Stephanie met with OCSTA and appointed 5 student trustees to their new student trustee advisory council.

CSLIT Executive Council

FAITH:

In the month of December, the Director of Faith Zoie Noranho worked diligently with the Faith Subcommittee to embody the Catholic School Graduate Expectation of a caring family member and address the pillars of Equity and Accessibility by organizing and executing a community service opportunity. On Monday, December 19, 2022, Zoie and the Faith Subcommittee volunteered with Neslihan, the Co-Director of Charity and members of the Charity Subcommittee at Mary's Home, a women's emergency shelter run by the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. After taking a break in January to prepare for exams, Zoie hopes to continue organizing another community service opportunity and Let's Talk Faiths in the coming months.

E-CSLIT:

Co-Directors of ECSLIT Mayumi and Renee had their January GA held on January 16th from 4:30-6:30pm consisting of 130 students from elementary schools from the east and west ends. Mayumi and Renee have and will continue the students about leadership qualities, soft skills, teachings about faith, and STEAM skills that can be carried onto their elementary schools. Their next GA will be at CEC on February 6th from 4:30-6:30.

Mayumi and Renee are also solidifying plans for the first iLITE event after pandemic restrictions. It will be a full-day event full of guest speakers and collaborative activities for the students. They hope to engage as many elementary schools as they can at this iLITE event. It will be happening at Cardinal Newman on the 2nd of February.

CHARITY:

During December, the Charity Co Directors Neslihan Aliye Apaçık and Roy Bou Abboud ran their first fundraising event, selling holiday candy grams at the CSLIT general assembly. They recruited the Charity Subcommittee for ideas on the candy sale, advertised the candy grams, and collected the funds as the event took place. The goal of the fundraiser was to bring up the spirits for the holiday season before exams, raise money for an allocated charity, and spread love and faith through the TCDSB community. In the weeks prior to the event, the Charity Executives connected with the Angel Foundation for Learning to discuss the initiation of the

A-Team within TCDSB schools. The A-Team is an activist team that targets individual school needs, and connects with AFL for support towards their mission. Our Charity Executives will continue to team up with AFL and the Charity Subcommittee for future initiatives, and to discuss the spread of the A-Team.

EQUITY:

During the months of January and December the equity subcommittee has done a lot of planning in preparation for the initiatives ahead. Julissa and Christine met with the TCDSB research department, Vivian Leung, on January 12, 2023 to follow up on their Google form and data ownership concerns. They revised the google form and sent it back to Vivian for further discussion in hopes of sending out the google form to students across the TCDSB in February. Julissa and Christine with the help of their subcommittee finished the new initiative proposal form and sent it off to Ms. Jorge and Micheal Caccamo for their mental health initiative proposed on Monday, January 23, 2023. This initiative will focus on stress management during exams as exams approach in the last week of January. We have invited the Youth Mental Health Canada (YMHC) to present a workshop on building mental health resilience. Lastly the committee has started building their Instagram to promote initiatives.

SOCIAL JUSTICE:

In the months of December and January, the director of Social Justice, Adekunbi Luwaji has engaged the subcommittee in planning and solidifying the initiative leading up to the international women's day named "Women in Solidarity". This initiative consists of a tier staged plan for the upcoming months for different activities all pertaining to the initiative. Plans for Black History Month have also commenced with the goal of re-inventing the CVMA- Catholic Visible Minority Alliance group that was established during her term as the Director of Equity in efforts to keep the momentum going for the celebration this year. Chairing the action team will be the Equity Co- Director, Julissa Perez. With the medium provided, the action team as well as the co-chairs will ensure education on black impact, celebration of success as well as integration of positive affirmations.

SOCIAL AFFAIRS

During December, the director of social affairs, Nafeisha, and her subcommittee members hosted the Christmas social, which focus on cultural appreciation and diversity. Students loved the diverse food options we offered during the Christmas social, such as lumpiang and jerk chicken. The social affairs subcommittee also has started building an Instagram account to better promote events. In January, Nafeisha and her subcommittee members started to brainstorm ideas for the gala, and activities for Valentine's Day.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

In the months of December and January, The Public Relations team kept up to date on social media regarding the snow storm closure of TCDSB schools. The Public Relations team also created an insightful post regarding OUAC applications along with helpful resources to help students apply and guide them through the processes. Our Public Relations team will continue to keep up to date with subcommittee updates, reminders and meeting dates on our social media platforms. At the end of December our Public Relations team uploaded a December general assembly recap to greet our student leaders a happy and restful holiday season. During the month of January, the PR Team will continue to provide updates on exam season and upcoming General Assemblies in the months to come.

ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS:

Rushan Jeyakumar, the Director of Administrative Affairs, worked closely with the student trustees, the CSLIT Executive Council and Mrs. Jorge in the months of December and January. Rushan is responsible for creating the slides and visuals for CSLIT General Assemblies, as well as organizing the logistics and scheduling behind the event. Rushan thanks the board of trustees for their continued support.