

## **April Student Trustee Board Report**

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



- David and JoyGold attended the April OSTA-AECO Leadership retreat. They collaborated with other student trustees from across the province and began wrapping up their final projects for the year.
- JoyGold and David hosted the March CSLIT general assembly. It was an exciting evening with over 300 student leaders in attendance.
- David attended a collaborative meeting for the OCSTA Indigenous influencers and contributors project. He is currently researching indigenous people in politics and government.
- David and JoyGold met with the CSLIT executive team to plan the upcoming student trustee elections and their annual voices that challenge the conference. They were also able to host two subcommittees for in person discussion and collaboration.
- David met with Pat Daly, President of OCSTA to touch base on projects and plan the upcoming Ontario Catholic Student Youth Day event.
- David chaired the April meeting for the OSTA-AECO Catholic cabinet. He worked to plan projects and initiatives with over ten student trustees from across the province.
- David had a meeting with Minister Lecce. He had the chance to share insights and student perspectives on upcoming changes.

## **CSLIT Executive Council**

### **Charity:**

- Kayla and Dennise have been working alongside Arlene from Sharelife to spread awareness of the charity and its cause.
- Kayla has met with Arlene at the CEC to discuss initiatives and ideas for Sharelife's collaboration with CSLIT.

### **Equity:**

- Ruben is currently planning the *Inclusion and Belonging Retreat* that will be happening on April 26th at the CEC. It will be a day filled with fun, including a panel discussion, workshops, fun games and much more that will align with the *Equity and Inclusion* pillar. Ruben would like to invite any trustees, superintendents and general staff to come out and support.
- Ruben and the Director of Social Affairs have also been planning the *CSLIT Coffee House* that will be happening on April 24th during the April G.A. We will be celebrating cultural art, foods, and drinks
- Ruben has been actively meeting with his subcommittee to plan the last two months in his term

### **Social Justice:**

- Darwin has been actively coordinating a social justice event with his subcommittee, aiming to inspire and motivate students to engage in social justice initiatives within their schools or communities, fostering positive change. This event is designed to facilitate collaboration between students and the network of ideas.

- Darwin and his subcommittee have initiated plans to establish a social justice subcommittee fund. This fund will provide financial support to students seeking to start or sustain projects and initiatives relating to social justice causes. The main objective is to alleviate financial constraints, enabling students to pursue impactful changes. Darwin intends to maintain this fund over the years to facilitate the creation and continuity of future initiatives.
- Darwin and his subcommittee are in the process of organising an environmental initiative in collaboration with the Toronto Nature Stewards. This event aims to engage students in environmental conservation efforts in the city.
- Darwin has continued to work with his subcommittee to plan events and initiatives to tackle during the remaining academic year.

**Faith:**

- The director of faith is currently planning Faith Camp 2024 with his faith subcommittee with assistance from other CSLIT executive members
- The director of faith has been meeting with his subcommittee and promoting his subcommittee.

**ECSLIT:**

- ECSLIT Co-Directors Stephnie Perera Gunawardane and Mayumi Chua hosted their April Monthly Meeting on April 16th, 2024 with over 220 students in attendance. The meeting focused on the importance of communication, confidence and giving back to the community, emphasised through guest speaker, Olivia Campbell, and various other activities.

- A charity initiative was introduced to the student leaders in partnership with the Meagan Bebenek Foundation; they are encouraged to make as many paper cranes as possible within each of their schools, which will then be presented to the Sick Kids Foundation at the MBF Crane Ceremony taking place at the end of April.
- Mayumi and Stephnie are currently planning their last ECSLIT Meeting for the 2023-2024 school year, scheduled for May 21st at the CEC. They happily invite any TCDSB Staff, Trustees, and Superintendents as this will be the last monthly meeting of the school year.
- The elementary student leaders from various schools will be joining Mr. Michael Consul mid-May for their trip to Camp Olympia in Huntsville.
- They are also beginning to plan an ECSLIT retreat that will take place sometime in Early June.
- Mayumi and Stephnie will additionally be supporting the Director of Faith's Faith Camp from the 19th-21st of April.

### **Public Relations:**

- PR has been working on creating the Student Trustee Election video which gained 14.4K views and interactions
- Multiple social media posts, culminating in over 300 students attending the March General Assembly.
- PR has been working with Student Trustees regarding the upcoming election, as well as welcoming the new trustee onto the team
- Faizat and Vichy will continue to grow and gain a larger audience for CSLIT's online presence as well as trying to find ways to reach students outside of social media.

### **Administrative Affairs:**

- Ralph has been working closely with the Student Trustees and Mr. Consul to plan the Student Trustee elections and the Voices that Challenge conference
- Ralph continues to organise the finances for the Catholic Student Leadership apparel. This initiative has raised close to \$2500 to date!
- He is working with the CSLIT Faith Director and Mr. Consul to organise the annual *Faith Camp*

### **Social Affairs:**

- Lorena has been working closely with the Social Affairs subcommittee to plan the final three events of the 2023-2024 school year.
- Social Affairs and Equity are collaborating again to plan the CSLIT Coffee House. This event is taking place on April 24, 2024, and will focus on highlighting the cultural diversity of students within the TCDSB. We will be selling a wide variety of finger foods and snacks from different cultures, and we will also be showcasing various artworks that display students' different backgrounds
- Finally, Social Affairs has been finalising this year's CSLIT BBQ on May 31, 2024, at the CEC. Social Affairs is also planning the CSLIT Gala, which will be held on June 28, 2024, with an expected attendance of approximately 200 people.