

Victimization continues at Ryerson

CKLN may be taken out, but the viciousness at Ryerson University continues as of February 2010.

You have money, power, and immature students; a playground for sociopathic types, usually pretending to be 'left' activists. I am not biased against left politics, because sometimes right wing student groups can be just as vicious.

This problem is particularly bad at Ryerson because of the irresponsibility of the Ryerson administration, which takes a 'hands off', meaning cop-out, approach to trouble within student groups.

This puts decent people, who are simply trying to do what the student group is supposed to be doing, in danger. They are threatened with false arrest, threatened physically, are forced to try to get justice from the courts. It is the most vulnerable, often people physically disabled, who seem to end up fighting the battle against the creeps.

If student democracy is intended to teach democracy, then it requires adult supervision to insure the correct lessons are learned. What do people learn from this garbage? Either, that this is how you get what you want, or that to engage in public service is simply to be abused by opportunists.

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RSU CANDIDATE SUES FOR \$800,000

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Two Ryerson students are suing an employee of the Student Campus Centre (SCC) and three campus organizations for a total of \$800,000. The lawsuit filed on Jan. 28 alleges libel, slander, defamation of character and harassment.



Ryder alleges that Newstadt is physically barring her from entering the SCC and that he has “banned” Nyitray.

Ryder, who uses an electric wheelchair, said the RSU is forcing her to give up some of her human rights by keeping her from using her attendant, Nyitray.

“I’m comfortable and safe with [Nyitray],” says Ryder.

However, Imre Juurlink, supervisor of Ryerson emergency and security services, said only security has the ability to enforce a ban, and that

security has not physically barred

Ryder from the SCC.

CESAR president, Mohammad Ali Aumeer, and RSU president, Toby Whitfield, had no comment on the lawsuit, citing that the matter is

before the courts.

Ryder says the timing of the lawsuit has nothing to do with the

upcoming student election starting, which began Feb. 7.

This isn’t the first time Ryder and Nyitray have butted heads with the RSU. In December 2009, the two were a part of a group of former community service group employees who sued RSU executives, including Whitfield, for \$70,000 in damages.

They filed seven claims in total of libel, slander, defamation and vilification, but settled in mediation in March 2010.

Timeline

November 2009

Ryder and Nyitray sue Toby Whitfield, VP of Finance and Services at the time, and other RSU executives for \$70,000 in damages. They file seven claims in total for libel, slander, defamation and vilification.

March 2010

Ryder and Nyitray settle with the RSU, in mediation, for an undisclosed amount of money.

January 2011

Ryder joins the RSU election race for VP of Equity.

January 28, 2011

Ryder and Nyitray file a lawsuit against the RSU, the Palin Foundation, Eric Newstadt, the SCC and CESAR. They’ve accused the organizations of libel, slander, defamation of character and harassment. They are looking for \$800,000 in damages.