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Pay No Attention to that Man behind the Curtain

A quick peek at the names of the individuals on the search committee to replace Lance Nail as dean of the b-school at USM revealed a major omission – Chuck Scianna, the CoB’s main benefactor at the moment, was not included. The fact that Scianna was the star of last month’s campus listening sessions should be enough to get him on this particular selection team. In Scianna’s case, there are more than five million additional reasons that he should be on the search committee. After all, he did just recently give more than \$5 million to USM for construction of a new CoB facility, soon to be named Scianna Hall. Still, those qualifications (all five million plus) were overlooked in this case, and the CoB committee will go forward in selecting the organization’s next executive without the most qualified and talented individual who might have assisted it in that endeavor.

It’s inexplicable, really, and a real shame.

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