

AACSB Update #4

Previous reports in the AACSB Update series indicated that the CoB's administration is planning to have a college-wide vote in early fall 2007 semester on a *new* (revised) Tenure & Promotion (T&P) policy for junior/untentured professors. Those reports also pointed out that other votes would occur. Sources now tell USMNEWS.NET that one of those other votes will be on a *new* (revised) CoB Mission Statement.

The CoB's AACSB Peer Review Team (PRT) pointed out, in its 2007 Maintenance of Accreditation Report, that the CoB's current mission – “Developing Careers” – was inadequate. That mission was developed under the administration of former CoB Dean D. Harold Doty, who is now in the Management & Marketing Department at USM, after submitting his resignation to USM Provost Jay Grimes on 9 April 2007.

With the development of these new (revised) policies/statements occurring during summer semester, and without any public circulation for comments and questions, the current CoB administration appears to be moving further away from open faculty governance (relative to the Doty regime).