

## **BREAKING NEWS**

### **Pate, Zantow Named New Assistant Deans**

HATTIESBURG -- After a series of interviews with internal candidates, new CoB dean Lance Nail recently announced that associate professor of accounting Gwen Pate and associate professor of management Kenneth Zantow will assume the new duties of assistant dean in the CoB. Pate essentially continues her current administrative duties in Hattiesburg, which include oversight of undergraduate academic services. Zantow now represents the CoB-GC and will administer graduate academic services for the CoB.



Gwen Pate



Kenneth Zantow

These choices are not likely to come without problems for Nail. Pate and Zantow have two of the weakest sets of academic credentials in the CoB. Zantow was recently at the center of a tenure and promotion controversy that involved a "4th Year Review." According to sources, Zantow had little to no research at the time of his 3rd Year Review, a time that followed not only a probationary three years but also a year or two on the CoB faculty as a visiting assistant professor. By the time of his 4th Year Review, Zantow had picked up two or three pedagogical publications and was allowed to continue on the road to T&P by former CoB dean and Zantow's long-time friend, Harold Doty. In describing these choices and other recent events in the CoB, one source told USMNEWS.net that it seems like it continues to be "two steps forward and two steps backward" for the new Nail administration of the CoB. It seems clear that, with these choices and other recent events, the remainder of 2008-09 will be a roller coaster ride for the CoB.