

Breaking News

“Good Ol’ Boy” to Chair 2 Departments and Occupy JGH Palace

HATTIESBURG – David Duhon, the management professor EFIB Chair George Carter refuses to believe should ever have been promoted to full, and who Carter refers to as one of the CoB’s non-scholarly good ol’ boys, was recently awarded something that Carter has yet to attain – chairmanship of **2 CoB departments**. Via e-mail on 19-Feb-08, Interim CoB Dean, Alvin Williams, informed CoB faculty and staff that, with Tony Henthorne’s departure for UNLV, Duhon will assume the roles of Interim Chair of MGT & MKT and Interim Chair of Tourism Management. Williams’ e-mail, sent also to USM Provost Bobby Middlebrooks and USM Human Resources Director Russ Willis, indicates that Duhon will take on these roles during the summer of 2008.



David Duhon



George Carter

Not only does Duhon stand to inherit chairmanship of two departments, he also inherits the keys to the *newly(finely) renovated JGH 313 suite*, which sources described as one of the more striking examples of CoB administrative largesse seen in recent memory, if ever. Add to that the point that Duhon controls the reins of the CoB’s **British Studies Programs**, arguably the most significant source of political favor-mongering available in the CoB, and you have the makings of the most powerful CoB chair, if not more. One source adds that, by copying Middlebrooks and Willis so soon, Williams is planning to also secure the highest compensation for Duhon among each of the CoB’s sitting chairs (for the 2008-09 academic year).

If sources are correct, and the CoB’s next Dean is a management professor, then Duhon’s future in the CoB will be golden, if it isn’t already so. That says a lot about the rise of an individual who needed a so-called “letter of agreement” (to buttress a weak research agenda) in order to secure a promotion to full professor.