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According to Jana Bryant's <u>23-Feb-09 press release</u> the CoB's 4th Annual Golden Eagle Challenge Business Plan competition has ended and \$5,000 in prize monies were handed out to the top two teams from the event. This year's competition marks the first one directed by CoB assistant professor of management Jennifer Sequeira, and this year's winners and runners-up represent Diamondhead, Gautier, Gulfport and Pascagoula.





Oddly however, the photos inserted above (which were taken by USM PR officials) show former CoB associate professor of management Jon Carr (far right), the former director of the competition and now an assistant professor of management at TCU, standing with the winners and runners-up (center) and CoB dean Lance Nail (far left). Despite Carr's appearance in the photos above, there are no quotes in Bryant's presser from Carr. There we hear from Sequeira only, who states that the teams' members worked hard to come up with viable business plans for the competition.

Letters to the Editor

Dear USM news,

Do you know if Harold Doty was hired as dean by [the University of] Wisconsin Whitewater? That is the story I heard.

<name withheld>

Dear Editor,

My contacts at the University of Houston at Victoria said that [Farhang] Niroomand was hired without the expressed approval of the business school people there. It seems that he was brought over "in the dark of night" as USM folks would say, and that he got the [business school dean's] job only through his long-time association with [former USM provost and current UH-V president] Tim Hudson. It sounds like that place is a sinking ship.

[name withheld]

Dear USMNEWS.net,

I think it's a forgone conclusion that economics will by closed up by the current [USM] administration as a way to cut the budget. I have also heard that tourism management will be moved [out of the CoB] and consolidated down on the [Gulf C]oast with another college. You should check into this.

[anonymous]