

Davis and George Elected to Faculty Senate

According to the May-09 Faculty Senate meeting minutes, the CoB's Donna Davis and Babu George have been elected to the USM Faculty Senate. Of course, when her name was placed on the ballot, Davis, a professor of decision sciences, was a rank-and-file faculty member. Now she is the new chair of the new department of business economics and decision sciences (BEDS). Surely, then, her election victory will have to be voided and her seat vacated. That will mean that CoB faculty will have to "pick on" another colleague, as they did when they also recently elected (relatively) newly-hired tourism management faculty Babu George. George, an assistant professor of TM who was brought to the CoB in 2007 by former CoBer Tony Henthorne, now faces one of the more daunting USM service assignments, a result that continues to violate the long-standing tradition of protecting *untenured* CoB faculty. Long-time readers of USMNEWS.net recall that two other *untenured* faculty – Mary Anderson (ACC) and Dale Lunsford (DS) – have been serving on the Faculty Senate during 2009. Thus, use of the phrase "continues to" in the paragraph above. It's well known that CoB dean Lance Nail is rarely ever physically around Joseph A. Greene Hall. It's clear from the outcomes described here, to some at least, that he (Nail) has "checked out" regarding *internal* affairs.