

# From the Ghost of Christmas Future

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**Subject:** [Cob-facstaff] Additional Agenda Items for Friday's Meeting

I neglected to provide Melia with a few additional details that were meant to be part of the Meeting Agenda Items document that was e-mailed to each of you yesterday morning. Those are now listed below, with some of my comments on each one. Please print them out and bring them (along with the Agenda you received yesterday morning by e-mail) to the CoB Faculty Meeting set for this Friday afternoon at 2:00pm.

## **Additional Agenda Items**

### *New Policies on Dating Undergraduate Students*

"Dating an undergraduate student (or students) currently enrolled in one of your own courses is permissible if (1) at least 90% the overall grade in your course is determined by group projects, **and** (2) all group projects for each student are graded by the other members of their group, with no input from the professor."

The proposed policy above is the only one that remains from the batch of dating policies that we voted on in the May CoB faculty meeting. As we wind this process down, I want to again thank the members of the *Ad Hoc Committee on CoB Faculty-Student Relationships* for all of their hard work. As you may recall from our May Meeting, the names of the members of this committee are confidential, as a result of a decision I made at the beginning of this process in an effort to avoid any stifling of creative thinking with regard to the charge I placed before this committee. So, without being able to call upon a "Committee Chair," our meeting discussion on this agenda item may be limited.

### *New Course Proposal*

MGT 399          Ethical Plagiarism          Bushardt, S.

As you see, Stephen has stepped up and agreed to teach our new offering (proposal), MGT 399, on short notice. I would like to thank Stephen for agreeing to do this. I would also like to thank the Chair of the Undergraduate Programs Committee, Katie Pounders, for working over the summer to get this proposal out of committee. Thanks again, Kate. This is a 1.5 hour course (proposed), and I would like to have our initial offering of it in 8W2 this fall. Starting next year we would offer it twice each semester.

I would also like to say, at the start of this new year, that I am grateful to each and every one of you who has helped get this college

back "under control" and on its feet again. I know the situation under Harold was about as bad as one could ever imagine, and it was a long road to this point, but in talking with many of you in my office over the past few days, it seems that our "culture" is back to where we always wanted it to be. As a result, I informed AACSB headquarters just this morning that we would not be seeking accreditation in 2012, or any time in the future. Harold deserves our gratitude as well for assisting me in the administrative transition over the last two years. Thanks Harold. We also appreciate Harold's willingness to step up again this year and serve as Interim Director of the Bureau of Business and Economic Research, even without a course release for doing so.

With that said, I would like to invite you all to a CoB faculty reception at the Canebrake Country Club clubhouse on Friday night, from 7:00pm-until. It is a night to celebrate those individuals who got us here: Stephen Bushardt, George Carter, Jim Crockett - you know who the rest are. Tonight, please let them know how grateful you are for what they were able to do over the past 5 years to what is, for some of them, their alma mater.

Looking forward to seeing you at the meeting.

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