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Message from the New Dean

Welcome to the College of Business Administration webpage here at Central Michigan University. I am now back in the great white north, and happy to be here as your new dean. I look forward to working with all of the b-school constituencies in the coming weeks and months as we strive to develop our new mission statement, honor code, and fundraising plans (I'll have more to say about private money in the future). However, I can't begin on these things until I entrench my wife Susan in the economics department here at CMU. When that job is done, and I secure her salary, all will begin. In the meantime, please feel free to offer suggestions regarding AACSB accreditation. I have not yet successfully navigated through one of these efforts, and so I will be looking for help from every quarter. I can say, however, that I have been on campus for a number of weeks already and I have yet to lose a battle with the CMU central administration. Going forward these victories will place the b-school in a good position relative to CMU's other colleges. And, I can help solidify these wins by behaving boorishly at cabinet-level and other university-wide committee meetings, etc. Oh, and if you would like to drop by to discuss your research, that would be fine too (let's all wear chinos). I am one of the top publishers in the nation, though I don't like to teach. (I will also be visiting some of you from time to time to seek your much needed help in refereeing papers for the journals). Please be aware, however, that our conversations will have to be cut short if a student comes by to chat. Here in the CMU b-school students are our most prized possessions. Finally, please remember that I plan to be at CMU only until a search firm gets me out of here. So let's work together and make things happen!

D. Harold Doty