

GH Chatter

CoB faculty are still waiting on Lance Nail's decision regarding USM President Martha Saunders' offer for Nail to become the fifth business school dean in USM history. From stories circulating around the CoB, there is a lot riding on Nail's answer. It is being reported that the other two finalists for the position, Danny Arnold (Frostburg State) and Glenn Pitman (SUNY Binghamton), withdrew their names from future consideration once they heard that Nail was Saunders' top choice.

The new \$100,000 endowment for the Alvin J. Williams Professorship in Minority Entrepreneurship was a surprise to many CoBers. Some are predicting that (1) the professorship will be filled for 2008-09, before any additional funds are raised, and (2) Jennifer Sequeira will be awarded the title in a belated effort to keep her from bouncing to another institution.

Readers of USMNEWS.NET are quite familiar with the fact that former CoB Dean, Harold Doty, has failed on numerous attempts to secure employment elsewhere. Now stories are circulating that Doty may no longer be interested in leaving the CoB, mainly because of stronger familial ties to the Pine Belt now than existed before. Doty's younger children are more ensconced in the Oak Grove Schools, and Doty and wife Susan are now grandparents. So, leaving the area will mean uprooting their younger children *and* (potentially) leaving behind a grandchild.

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