

GH Chatter

Will ECO faculty attend CoB dean Lance Nail's "State of the CoB" presentation on Friday, 18-Sept-09? Some say "yes," others say "no." There seems to be an even split between those who think they will not show and those who think they will *and* that they will cause a scene. Of course, the latter promises to be a good show. Some are hoping that Sami Dakhliya will deliver a proclamation condemning CoB faculty for not standing up to Nail and allowing the ECO major to be nixed from the CoB curriculum.

It seems that the Dotys are not forgotten. There is some chatter that Susan is now an economics faculty at the University of Texas – Tyler. Recall that some of the economists referred to Harold as their "wise" former dean, whilst arguing on various Internet message boards about the \$12 million budget cut and their elimination therein. Perhaps Doty will see to it that UT – Tyler reaches out and hires some of the malcontents. As dean, he should have the capacity for doing so. The only question is: Does he want to?

Chatter about CoB dean Lance Nail's future in the CoB seems to be growing. More believe that he is a short-timer, and will be gone by the end of this year or next. There are a number of dean searches going on now, and some seem to have Nail's name on them. If Nail has lost face with the Saunders administration, as some think he has, then a number of interesting angles come to mind. First among these is that he is the only real *outside* academic dean Saunders has acquired since taking the reins. If he's falling, then her star is likely spiraling down as well.

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