

GH Chatter

More evidence that former CoB management professor is headed west to join former CoB dean Harold Doty at the University of Texas at Tyler – word is that Bushardt does not appear on the 2010-11 course schedules at Spring Hill College. It is mind boggling to many that Doty would move so early in his UT-T deanship to hire someone like Bushardt. To add to all that is known about Bushardt's tenure at USM, in 2009-10 we learned that his wife filed a restraining order against him as part of their ongoing divorce proceedings. It seems she fears for her safety, and that of their children.

It looks like Joseph Greene Hall is getting a major makeover. A long hallway connecting the west side office suites is being constructed. Word is that the old one connecting marketing and management cost a five-figure sum. Now there are two more being worked out. At what cost? Some are also pointing out that it is interesting to witness the lengths faculty will go these days to avoid students.

There has been a lot of angst around the CoB regarding faculty losses from UPC cuts (for 2012). No one knows for sure, but there is talk about cutting in fashion merchandising and information systems. These stories have been going around since at least the end of the APG cuts (for 2011) in fall of 2009. There are three professors in FM, two of which are untenured and, by all accounts, not burning it up on the research front. Seems plausible to look for cuts there.

The possibility that the outgoing CoB economists are penning letters to the editor and/or opinions/reports for USMNEWS.net has some excited about the website's near future. If occurring, others wonder why it took so long. As for outgoing economists, word also is that George Carter is spreading the bad word about the CoB's administration all over the place. Numerous reports have indicated that Carter is seriously bitter about what has occurred regarding economics since summer of 2009.

GH Chatter is a series at USMNEWS that provides a glimpse at what CoB students, and sometimes CoB faculty, are discussing throughout the corridors of Joseph Greene Hall and beyond.