

GH Chatter

CoB faculty and staff can't help but chat these days about all the changes happening in and around Joseph Greene Hall. Vending machines and an eating area are going in just outside of the School of Accounting office, while new accounting director Skip Hughes is now moving in. The CFS' stock ticker is reportedly history, as many predicted here months ago. New BEDS chair Donna Davis is moving into the old ECO administrative suite, while ECO profs like Mark Klinedinst are moving back into the faculty suite to the south of the building. Another thing of the past – the faculty pubs display case. As some have stated here recently, CoB faculty research is looking more and more like a thing of the past as well.

The increase in parking fees, from \$50/year to \$135/year is generating a lot of buzz around campus. The word from USM officials is that the increase is to pay for the forthcoming \$14 million parking deck. Most believe the \$85 (170%) increase is just the first step in a process that will eventually take parking fees closer to \$200/year.

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.