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Contrary to sourced speculation in the recent news story entitled <u>Retread Redux</u>, talk around the CoB is that Chang Tseh-Hsieh will not be extending his "helping hand" to assist newly hired CoB-GC MIS faculty, Dale Lunsford. The story is that Lunsford's hiring was promoted solely by MIS professor Donna Davis, and if Lunsford struggles again it will be up to Davis to keep him academically qualified. Also, the fact that Lunsford is reportedly being placed at USM-Gulf Coast does not reflect well on how the CoB's MIS faculty felt about the re-hire of Lunsford.

The recent revelation from former CoB Dean, Harold Doty, that he (Doty) would've been a good fit for Clemson, is causing commotion around Greene Hall. What is amusing to some is that, with his resignation and return to his first love of teaching, Doty now earns \$127,086 – a total that includes a \$5,162 "merit" raise from May of 2007 and about \$20,000 to \$25,000 of his administrative supplement for serving as Dean for four years – while the eventual winner of the Clemson job, Claude Lilly, now earns \$355,000 per year as Dean of CU's business school.

USM's Study Abroad Programs staffers are advertising the CoB's Study Abroad Programs as opportunities for CoB students to interact with the CoB's "best professors" on a more personal level and in an international setting. Given the prominent roles played in the Study Abroad Programs by CoB faculty such as Sami Dakhlia, David Duhon, Mark Klinedinst, and Farhang Niroomand, this ad campaign is drawing snickers in Greene Hall's corridors and beyond. It sounds to some as if Niroomand designed the campaign mantra it himself.

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