

GH Chatter

The move of the CoB's economists to the CoAL (for 2010-11) continues to be a hot topic in the JAG. Most believe that among the so-called "retirees" that Edward Nissan will retire ("traditionally") to England, Trellis Green will get either "traditional" retirement or a "traditional" form of "phased retirement," and that George Carter and Mark Klinedinst will get an "untraditional" form of "phased retirement" that is heavy on the teaching and long on the "phased." This will give the two of them the opportunity to "wait out" the current economic crisis and perhaps remain on at USM for years to come.

The remaining retiree, William Gunther, has only about 10 years in the PERS. Much of the chatter has him moving back home to Josephine, AL, and perhaps resuming his work for the University of West Florida in Pensacola.

There is some talk that Akbar Marvasti is facing some serious tenure issues that may not be overcome. If so, the number of CoAL economists may only be 3. This may be best for CoAL dean Denise von Herrmann. Sources have told USMNEWS.net that the numbers (faculty, students) don't add up so well for her.

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