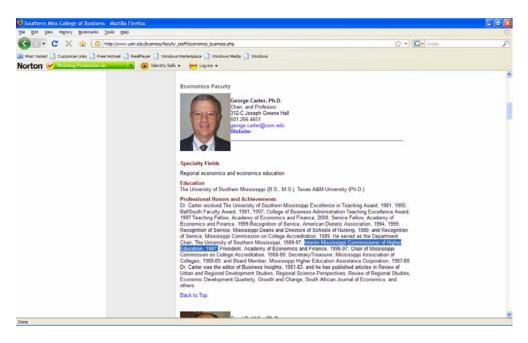
Lucas Ascends to Position Once Held by Carter

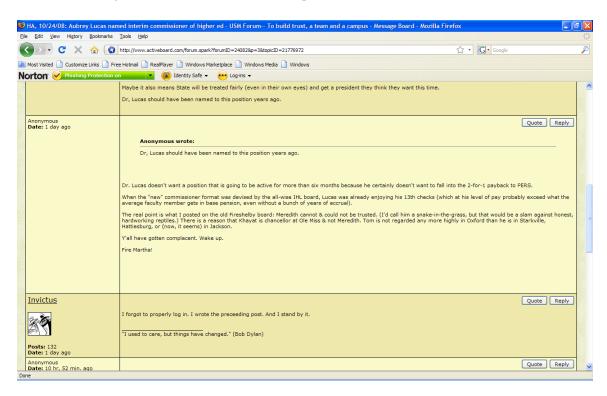
Former USM president, Aubrey K. Lucas, was recently appointed to the post of Interim Commissioner of Higher Education, a move that fills the void created after the resignation of former IHL Commissioner Thomas Meredith.



Meredith resigned the post last week, ending a scandal-ridden term atop the IHL. Now, as Interim Commissioner, Lucas holds the post once held by EFIB chair, George Carter.



In other USM news, during a discussion of the controversial Meredith, Invictus -- arguably the most popular poster on the *USM Forum -- To build trust, a team and a campus -- Message Board* -- recently called for the ouster of USM president, Martha Saunders.



Though no one knows for sure what Invictus' rationale for such a proclamation was (on 26-Oct-08), USMNEWS.net has reported on a number of scandals involving the relatively new administration of Saunders et al. That rationale could include any number of those, or other issues not heretofore covered by USMNEWS.net reporters.

Stay tuned to USMNEWS.net for additional reports on the many scandals that plaque USM's CoB, and higher education (in general) in Mississippi.