Farhang Niroomand

On October 30, 2015, <u>*The Chronicle of Higher Education*</u> published the following report:

U. of Louisville Apologizes After President Is Photographed in Stereotypical Mexican Costume

President Ramsey is at the lower right, in the multicolored poncho. (Photo: Scott Utterback/The Courier-Journal)



The University of Louisville apologized on Thursday after its president, James R. Ramsey, and other university officials drew sharp criticism for appearing in a photograph in stereotypical Mexican costumes, complete with sombreros, bushy mustaches, and maracas, reports The Courier-Journal, a newspaper in Louisville, Ky."

Let's compare how Southern Miss handles a comparable situation. Dean Farhang Niroomand is far left in the picture below.



At the time this picture was taken, Mr. Niroomand was Associate Dean for the College of Business, University of Southern Mississippi attending a meeting of Association for Global Business.

Mr. Farhang Niroomand is currently Dean of the School of Business Administration, University of Houston, Victoria.

Various readers have wondered aloud how Hispanic students at UH-V feel about their business dean and his AGB colleagues appearing in wildy stereotypical costumes, complete with sombreros, ponchos, a firearm and burro decorated with a bushy mustache. Will Mr. Niroomand apologize to his students for his questionable behavior?