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SAIS Director Steven Jackson Responds to Jim Henderson's Absence

It was only 24 hours after USMNEWS.net received the [opinion piece](#) entitled "Fore Fouls" -- a column admonishing associate professor of accounting Jim Henderson's decision to skip an exam after assigning proctoring duties to Melissa McIntyre, SAIS' administrative assistant -- before SAIS Director Steve Jackson was compelled to send a blanket e-mail to all SAIS faculty admonishing the decision himself. That e-mail, which is inserted below, was written by Jackson in true CoB administrator fashion -- that is, because Henderson has been so useful to CoB administration in recent months, the "sin" was called out, not the "sinner."

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Subject: RE: proctoring exams

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Hi all, in the future please do not ask Melissa to proctor exams. In order for her to do that she must close the office which is not in our best interest. Please use grad assistants if a proctor is needed. Thanks,

Steve

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Of course, sources tell USMNEWS.net that had Henderson's action been taken by some other, less favored member of the CoB, the "sin" and the "sinner" would have taken a dive.