

Perks for Buds XXII Accounting for The Who

In a famous song by The Who, “Won’t Get Fooled Again,” is the line “meet the new boss, the same as the old boss.” That is what the CoB’s Accounting faculty has been trying to accomplish: to make the new hire be the old hire. Not Steve Jackson, Stan Lewis, Rod Posey, or Bob Smith, but the true old school boss, Jim Crockett. The collective “us” in Accounting wants the new director to be just like them. That is understandable. Status quo ante is safe for the “us”. It is not, however, where Dean Lance Nail wants the Accounting School to be. The lack of leadership, lack of quality publications, and the lack of most things good in favor of wanting – no, demanding – to be left alone in their separate accreditation mindset. The School of Accounting may become alone on July 1st, but it may not survive re-accreditation. Like it or not, it is also part of the College of Business; that means they need to learn to play nice with others. It feels like the wind of change is blowing through their little world, and their glory days of perks for buds is drawing to an end.