

The CoB's Long Nightmare will Continue At Least that's what the Silence on AACSB Says to Us

It's been about 2 and 1/2 weeks since the AACSB Peer Review Team left Hattiesburg, and there still is no official word from the CoB Dean's office about what they concluded/found. Of course, we do have the stories put out by Management/Marketing Chair Barry Babin and EFIB Chair George Carter suggesting that the Team found enough problems to warrant a 6th year/Continuing Review. That means a small cadre of AACSB representatives will be visiting the CoB, this time around February of 2008.



The scandals that have rocked the CoB over the past several months have accumulated into the CoB's own Watergate of sorts, with an exception or two. Unlike the Watergate scandal that plagued President Richard Nixon's second term, there doesn't appear to be a figure (or figures) in the CoB willing to advise Doty to resign for the good of the CoB, its students and alumni. Whether its former Management & Marketing Chair Alvin Williams who was afraid to speak up at a CoB faculty meeting wherein management professors Stephen Bushardt and David Duhon were attempting to turn the CoB's faculty evaluation system on its head, or accounting professor Charles Jordan writing to officials at Western Illinois University and Central Missouri State University and asking them if the CoB can copy their AACSB documents *without proper attribution*, the CoB's administration, including those close to it, appears to be devoid individuals of strong character. Because of that, this episode, unlike Watergate, doesn't seem to face the possibility of an ending described by ". . . our long national nightmare is over."