

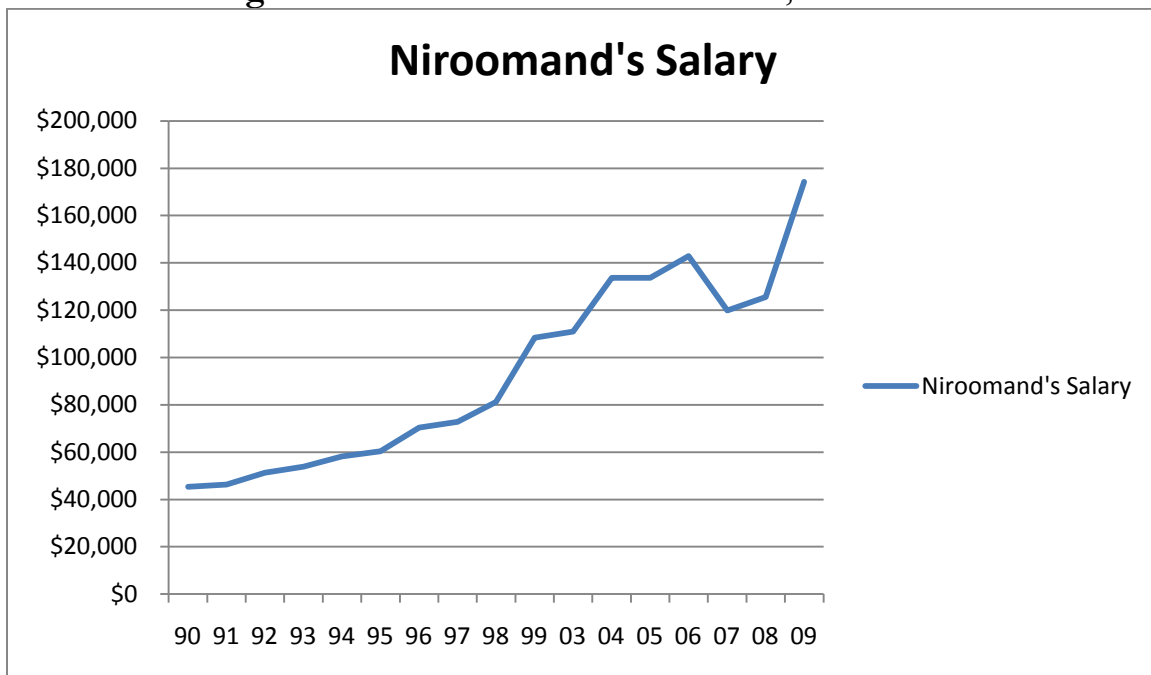
Twenty Years of Niroomand at the Trough

A Look at FN's Salary, 1990-2009

The four year anniversary of the surprise “resignations” of former CoB dean Harold Doty (2003-07) and former CoB associate dean Farhang Niroomand (1998-2007) has come and gone. CoB faculty will again be able to think back to April-07 and take comfort in knowing, as sources state, that the worst administration in the b-school’s history ended after four terrible years. During his 10-year reign as a CoB administrator, Niroomand raked in larger and larger salaries, culminating in an approximately \$143,000 per year payout by the end of 2006. That payout was reduced quite a bit in 2007, though the rise resumed that year with one of the nicer annual raises in the CoB, courtesy of former interim-CoB dean Alvin Williams, now a professor of marketing at the University of South Alabama.

In 2009, Niroomand became dean of the business school at the University of Houston at Victoria. At that time his salary rose substantially, all the way to \$178,298, as shown in **Figure 1** below.

Figure 1 – Niroomand’s Annual Check, 1990-2009



The data used to construct the 1990-2008 portion of the figure above are available at USMNEWS.net. They were obtained by USMNEWS.net from the USM Budget Book for each year. The 2009 salary for Niroomand at UH-Victoria is courtesy of the government employees database maintained by *The Texas Tribune*. All of these data paint a picture of an administrator concerned with only himself. While associate dean of business at USM, Niroomand routinely secured for himself the largest annual raise in the CoB. In some cases, his raise outdistanced others’ by several thousand dollars.

Given the current chaos in Niroomand’s new organization – the b-school at UH-Victoria – faculty there should spend some time perusing the USMNEWS.net Archives for more details of his destructive reign over the CoB at USM.