

Williams Foils Clark's Plan to Avoid a Dec-07 CoB Faculty Meeting

Less than three months after passage of a preemptive motion by associate professor of finance, John Clark, to confer upon CoB graduates their Dec-07 degrees and avoid having a Dec-07 CoB faculty meeting, Interim CoB Dean Alvin Williams has decided to call a faculty-wide meeting for 6-Dec-07. According to Williams' e-mail announcement, which is inserted below, the meeting is being called in order to "get a brief update/status report from each of the CoB committees."

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From: [Alvin Williams <alvin.williams@usm.edu>](mailto:alvin.williams@usm.edu)

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Subject: [Cob-facstaff] College of Business Faculty Meeting

Colleagues:

The next College of Business faculty meeting will be on Thursday, December 6 at 3:30 p.m. in JGH 303. The key purpose is to get a brief update/status report from each of the CoB committees. Committee chairs should plan to share briefly the accomplishments of their respective teams. This input will be quite helpful as we move forward.

The date/time of the meeting was selected to allow Gulf Coast faculty an opportunity to attend both the faculty meeting and the CoB Christmas party on the same day. This is a more convenient option. If you have not sent your RSVP for the Christmas party, please do so to anya.serbywilkins@usm.edu. The party is from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Ashleigh Manor on Veterans Memorial Drive (also known as Broadway Drive and Hwy 11). Directions will be shared shortly.

Best wishes as you juggle all of the end-of-semester challenges! See you on December 6th.

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According to Williams, input from the various CoB committee chairs should "be quite helpful as we [the CoB] move forward." According to sources, Williams' request could be a sign that some unexpected proposals will be brought to the floor, perhaps regarding journal rankings and/or addition of the international courses in finance, management, and marketing as options to fulfill the international requirement in the CoB's core curriculum. Of course, if any "December surprises" should occur, USMNEWS.NET will provide timely coverage of them.