Now that our contract has been approved, our executive board is in the process of meeting internally to decide how to allocate the COLA and retro payment. We will then meet with the district to arrive at a final agreement.

In the fall semester, we will engage in a union membership drive and hold meeting sessions to help faculty understand our new contract.

As part of our ongoing efforts at member appreciation, this Sunday we are sponsoring our members to attend the last of three River Cats games that we purchased.

Just this morning, the LRCFT and CFT testified at the Capitol in favor of AB 811, the repeatability bill. This bill increases the ability of students to retake courses so that they can transfer more easily.

Along with the CFT, the LRCFT PAFC will hold interviews for candidates in the AD 6 race which covers the city of Sacramento, a vital seat for Los Rios and the LRCFT. The races for AD 7, Sacramento city mayor, and Sacramento city council will keep us busy in fall semester.

We heard back from one of the producers of PBS and its *Inside CA Education* documentary series about a potential future episode on our DACA students and program in Los Rios.

Once again this year, the LRCFT will sponsor the SCLC's annual Labor Day picnic. Hopefully it won't be 115 degrees like last year.

In closing, the LRCFT and DAS will meet in August with our new FT faculty hires and take them out to dinner.

Thank you! Jason Newman, LRCFT President