

LRCFT report to the LRCCD Board of Trustees

August 10, 2026

The LRCFT is pleased to announce that we have concluded salary negotiations with the District for 2026. We also met productively with the District over the summer to work on contract negotiations. We want to thank Executive Vice Chancellor Mario Rodriguez, Deputy Chancellor Jamey Nye, and Associate Vice Chancellor of Human Resources Carrie Bray for their diligence in meeting with us over the summer.

In July, the LRCFT organized 15 of our members to attend the AFT biennial convention in Washington DC. The focus of the 3,000-member gathering was the formulation of strategies to elect prolabor candidates for the November general election.

Last week, our LRCFT President, Jason Newman, met with the District Academic Senate President Lori Petite, to start the process of enhancing union and senate cooperation on the major academic and labor issues facing our faculty.

The LRCFT exec. board will meet next week to make a recommendation to our membership regarding Measure H, the Los Rios bond for college and career training facility improvements.

Also next week, the LRCFT will participate in both of the new faculty welcome events sponsored by the District.

In late August we will join CFT in a union meeting in San Diego focused on immigrant rights and the protection of our students, and the implications of AI for our faculty and students.

This semester, our LRCFT exec. board will also finalize a new version of our constitution and by laws.

We continue to support our endorsed Los Rios trustee candidates---Board President Deborah Ortiz, Devon Graves, and Oranit Limmaneeprasert---as we gear up for the final three months of campaigning. Last night, the SCLC endorsed these three candidates for the general election in November.

In closing, our LRCFT President, Jason Newman, will meet with Chancellor Powell on August 13 to begin a dialogue on the pressing issues in our District from the faculty union perspective. We look forward to the meeting.

Thank you,

Jason Newman

LRCFT President