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Included below is a press release announcing a tentative five-year contract agreement between Ferris State University and the Ferris Nontenure-Track Faculty Organization. The agreement was reached as a result of a bargaining session that took place on Thursday, Aug. 27. University classes begin on Monday, Aug. 31.

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BIG RAPIDS, Mich. – Ferris State University and the Ferris Nontenure-Track Faculty Organization have reached a tentative agreement on a new five-year contract as the result of bargaining that took place on Thursday, Aug. 27. When ratified, the pact would replace the previous contract between non-tenure faculty and the university.

“We are thrilled to start school with a mutually beneficial five-year contract. We now look forward to bringing our professionalism and experience back into the classroom and helping our students reach their career and educational goals,” said Linda Sherwood, lead bargaining negotiator for the FNTFO.

“I want to express my gratitude to the negotiators for both the Ferris Nontenure-Track Faculty Organization and the university for the time they put in to reach this agreement,” said Ferris President David Eisler. “We are deeply appreciative of the work of our faculty. This agreement is good news for our non-tenure faculty, the University, and most importantly our students.”

Details of the contract will be released pending its ratification. The FNTFO has a general membership meeting scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 8.

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