Executive Summary
Board Date: April 13, 2004

SUBJECT:
Memorandum of Understanding Between San Diego County Superintendent of Schools and San Diego Unified School District

Recommendation(s):
The Superintendent recommends adoption of the Memorandum of Understanding between the San Diego County Superintendent of Schools and San Diego Unified School District.

Summary of Previous Board of Education Discussion and Action:
There has been no previous Board action on this matter.

Summary of Key Issue(s):
Under the proposed MOU, SDCOE-approved charter schools, geographically located within the District, will participate in the District special education local plan area (SELPA) for the purpose of receiving special education funding. In addition, SDCOE-approved charter schools may negotiate with the District for the purpose of purchasing special education services from the District SELPA. The SDCOE shall retain all supervisory and compliance responsibility under both charter and special education law over the participating SDCOE-approved charter. Finally, the participation of SDCOE-approved charter schools will not alter the nature of the District’s SELPA.

Fiscal Analysis:
Under the MOU, SDCOE-approved charter schools will receive special education funding in accordance with current District policies and procedures for District-approved charter schools. Moreover, the District will charge SDCOE-approved charter schools a participation fee equal to the special education funding encroachment District-approved charter schools currently are assessed. Therefore, there are no negative budget implications anticipated.