

EXPLANATION OF RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
AND  
DR. JOHN P. FITZPATRICK, O.D.

September 14, 2004

PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT: San Diego Unified School District and Dr. John P. Fitzpatrick, O.D.

AGREEMENT SUMMARY: Dr. John P. Fitzpatrick will provide direct vision therapy assessments to children with special needs and will provide consulting services to district staff.

TERM: July 1, 2004 through December 14, 2004

AMOUNT OF FUNDING: \$12,500

SOURCE OF FUNDING: 5377-65000-00-5156-3140-5001-01000-0000  
(SpEd/Regular Year)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: District does not have sufficient staff to provide vision therapy assessments to students where their services are required by their Individualized Educational Programs (IEP's).

**Rationale for Ratification:** Due to the implementation of ENCORE! during 2004-2005, the SpEd Programs Division has been in negotiations with the vision therapy doctors and have not reached an agreement. It was decided to go ahead and use same language from 2003-2004 through December 2004 to maintain compliance with vision therapy services to eligible students and use new contract language beginning December 15, 2004 through June 30, 2005. September 14 is the first available board meeting after obtaining original signatures.

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