Shasta County Special Education Local Plan Area **Dispute Resolution Policy**

DISPUTE RESOLUTION BETWEEN LEAS

Should disputes among member LEAs arise concerning special education related matters, including but not limited to matters related to the interpretation of the SELPA Local Plan, policies or procedures, the disputing LEAs shall first attempt to arrive at a settlement. If settlement is not reached at the LEA level, the Shasta County SELPA Director shall mediate the dispute. Any dispute not successfully resolved by the Shasta County SELPA Director shall be referred to the Program Advisory Council for mediation.

If the Program Advisory Council does not successfully resolve the dispute, the matter shall be referred to the SELPA Governing Board. The SELPA Governing Board shall hear the facts of the dispute and shall render a written decision on the matter which shall be binding on the parties.