

### **Agenda Motions: A23 S14 Communications**

#### **A23 Central Wheatbelt North Branch**

*Communication*

“That ICPA (WA) provide written support to the Goodlands Ag Committee in acquiring mobile coverage to the existing 178,000-hectare Mobile Black Spot area. School bus routes and conveyance spurs do not have communication when on route to geographically isolated primary schools within the region.”

*Moved*

*Lisa Brennan*

*Central Wheatbelt North Branch*

*Seconded*

*Julie Walsh*

*Central Wheatbelt North Branch **CARRIED***

#### **S14 Esperance Branch**

*Communication*

“That ICPA (WA) lobbies the Minister for Education, the State Government and relevant Service Providers to investigate better internet connections and communications to rural and remote schools with a sufficient service that does not drop out and lose connection, thus creating equal learning opportunities for ALL students.”

*Moved*

*Sue Stead*

*Esperance Branch*

*Seconded*

*Michelle Barrett*

*Esperance Branch **CARRIED***

### **Agenda Motions: A13 S8 S9 A11 A12 S10 S11 Allowances (BAHA)**

#### **A13 Pilbara Branch**

*Allowances*

“That ICPA (WA) lobby the State Government to reverse the decrease in the Boarding Away from Home Allowance (BAHA) over the next four years.”

#### **Explanation:**

The Government is decreasing the Royalties for Regions component of the Boarding Away from Home Allowance (BAHA), by 30 percent over the next four years. The Allowance will decrease from \$2,105 in 2017 to \$1,320 in 2022. This will result in isolated families having to pay at least \$4,300 per child after allowances for boarding fees from 2022.

The decrease will impact heavily on isolated families as boarding schools are constantly increasing their annual fees by up to 8%. The gap between what parents pay and the allowances received from both State and Federal Government will widen. We therefore request that ICPA (WA) lobby the State Government to reverse the decrease to help minimise the financial pressure put on parents from rural areas giving their children an adequate education.

As further supporting information, the table below shows the high school boarding options and allowances available for 2018.

2018				
High School Boarding Options			Allowances	
Residential Colleges	Agricultural Colleges	Private Schools Average	Assistance for Isolated Children Allowance (AIC)	State Boarding Away from Home Allowance (BAHA)
\$13,900	\$8,536	\$20,000	\$8,249	\$1,948

*Moved*  
*Seconded*

*Abbra Slocombe*  
*Lindsay Newland*

*Pilbara Branch*  
*Pilbara Branch*

**CARRIED**

**S8 Meekatharra Air Branch**

*Allowances*

"That ICPA (WA) lobbies the Minister for Education to reverse the decision to decrease the State Boarding Away from Home Allowance (BAHA) over the next four years."

**Deemed Covered (A13)** *Chandra Ridley*

*Meekatharra Branch*

**S9 Lakes District Branch**

*Allowances*

"That ICPA (WA) lobby the Minister for Education, the Minister for Primary Industry and Regional Development and the State Government to immediately reinstate the Royalties for Regions (R4R) component of the Boarding Away from Home Allowance (BAHA)."

**Deemed Covered (A13)** *Kym Ross*

*Lakes Branch*

**A11 Central Wheatbelt North Branch**

*Allowances*

"That ICPA (WA) lobbies the State Government to reverse the decision of removing the Royalties for Regions component to the BAHA allowance, with a view to increasing the allowance and take into account the significant increases in boarding fees placed on all parents by all boarding institutions, Government and non-Government."

**Deemed Covered (A13)** *Julie Walsh*

*Central Wheatbelt North Branch*

**A12 Goldfields Eyre Branch**

*Allowances*

"That ICPA (WA) lobby the State Government and the Education Department to reinstate the Royalties for Regions (R4R) funding for the Boarding Away from Home Allowance (BAHA) and continue to lobby for a substantial BAHA increase to take into account the significant annual rise in boarding fees."

*Moved*  
*Seconded*

*Vicki McQuie*  
*Lana Lefroy*

*Goldfields Eyre Branch*  
*Goldfields Eyre Branch*

**CARRIED**

**S10 Kimberley Air Branch**

*Allowances*

"That ICPA (WA) lobbies the WA Department of Education and Minister for Education to review the cuts to the Boarding Away from Home Allowance (BAHA) and find a way to reinstate this much needed allowance."

**Deemed Covered (A13)**

*Kirsty Forshaw*

*Kimberley Branch*

**S11 Gascoyne Branch**

*Allowances*

"That ICPA (WA) lobby the State Government to review their Boarding Away from Home Allowance (BAHA) and increase it so the gap between the Residential Boarding Fees and the Allowance is minimal."

**Deemed Covered (A13)**

*Alys McKeough*

*Gascoyne Branch*

**Agenda Motions: A17 (withdrawn) A18 A19 A20 A21 A22 S13 Travel**

**A17 Goldfields Eyre Branch**

**Withdrawn**

*Travel*

"That ICPA (WA) lobby the Public Transport Authority of Western Australia and TransWA to implement an online booking system for the purchase of Unaccompanied Minor tickets for all WA transport services."

**Withdrawn**

*Vicki McQuie*

*Goldfields Eyre Branch*

**A18 Lakes District Branch**

*Travel*

"That ICPA (WA) lobby the bus transport service to remove the complimentary passenger for those families that are catching the closest bus run to a primary school or if the family had been attending that primary school when it was the closest bus run."

**Word Insertion**

Kym Ross requests conference permission for a word insertion. Insert the word "status" and the words "to eligible student status."

"That ICPA (WA) lobby the bus transport service to remove the complimentary passenger status for those families that are catching the closest bus run to a primary school or if the family had been attending that primary school when it was the closest bus run to eligible student status."

*Moved*

*Kym Ross*

*Lakes Districts Branch*

*Seconded*

*Dennis Gittos*

*Lakes Districts Branch*

**CARRIED**

**A19 Hyden Branch**

*Travel*

"That ICPA (WA) lobby School Bus Services to allow more flexibility for school bus zones in isolated areas, to be easier to obtain an exception where students are deemed to be on the edge of a school zone and that the students be deemed as eligible passengers, not complimentary."

**Deemed Covered (A18)** *Samantha Greay*

*Hyden Branch*

**A20 Lakes District Branch** *Withdrawn* *Travel*  
 "That ICPA (WA) lobby the School Bus Services to allow more flexibility to allow students to use the closest school bus to get to a primary school."

*Withdrawn* *Kym Ross* *Lakes Districts Branch*

**A21 Lakes District Branch** *Travel*  
 "That ICPA (WA) lobby the School Bus Service to increase their leniency on the policy for closest primary school from 2.5kms to 10kms."

*Moved* *Kym Ross* *Lakes Districts Branch*  
*Seconded* *Dennis Gittos* *Lakes Districts Branch* **CARRIED**

**A22 Lakes District Branch** *Travel*  
 "That ICPA (WA) lobby Department of Transport to implement emergency evacuation drills each term, on the school grounds, involving only drivers and passengers on school buses, so that students are aware of emergency procedures and bus rules".

*Moved* *Kym Ross* *Lakes Districts Branch*  
*Seconded* *Dennis Gittos* *Lakes Districts Branch* **CARRIED**

**S13 Kimberley Air Branch** *Travel*  
 "That ICPA (WA) lobbies the WA Department of Transport to find a better and more equitable process for reimbursement of air travel costs for students."

*Moved* *Kirsty Forshaw* *Kimberley Branch*  
*Seconded* *Elize Scheepers* *State Council* **CARRIED**

### **Agenda Motions: S1 A5 A4 S2 A8 S3 A6 A7 A9 S4 S5 A10 S6 S7 Rural&Remote Schools / Appropriate Schooling**

**S1 Yalgoo Branch** *Appropriate Schooling*  
 "That ICPA (WA) lobbies the Minister for Education and others within the WA Government, to keep all camps schools under the jurisdiction of the WA Department of Education, to ensure they remain affordable and accessible to all WA students."

*Moved* *Roxanne Morrissey* *Yalgoo Branch*  
*Seconded* *Alys McKeough* *Gascoyne Branch* **CARRIED**

**A5 Midwest Branch**

*Appropriate Schooling*

"That ICPA (WA) continue to lobby the State Government for WA's Camp Schools to remain government owned and, as a priority, be kept accessible and affordable for schools and students statewide."

**Deemed Covered (S1)**      *Emma Faulkes-Taylor*      *Midwest Branch*

**A4 Pilbara Branch**

*Appropriate Schooling*

"That ICPA (WA) lobby the Minister for Education to reverse transferring the management of six of the Department of Education Camp Schools to other non-government organisations."

**Deemed Covered (S1)**      *Lindsay Newland*      *Pilbara Branch*

**S2 Meekatharra Air Branch**

*Appropriate Schooling*

"That ICPA (WA) request the Minister for Education to overturn her decision to move Education Department camp schools at Dampier, Geraldton, Point Peron, Bridgetown, Pemberton, and Kalgoorlie to private operators."

**Deemed Covered (S1)**      *Claire Mahoney*      *Meekatharra Branch*

**A6 Goldfields Eyre Branch**

*Appropriate Schooling*

"That ICPA (WA) lobby the WA Government and the Minister for Education to keep the 6 Western Australian Camp Schools, located in Kalgoorlie, Dampier, Geraldton, Point Peron, Bridgetown and Pemberton, open in the event that new management or ownership is not found."

*Moved*      *Lana Lefroy*      *Goldfields Eyre Branch*  
*Seconded*      *Vicki McQuie*      *Goldfields Eyre Branch*      **CARRIED**

**S3 Hyden Branch**

*Appropriate Schooling*

"That ICPA (WA) lobbies very strongly to ensure that the Regional Camp Schools that are currently available for the important extension of our children's learning, remain operational and available in the long term."

**Deemed Covered (S1)**      *Samantha Greay*      *Hyden Branch*

**A8 Midwest Branch**

*Appropriate Schooling*

"That ICPA (WA) continue to lobby the State Government for a reversal in the decision to remove 20% from a collective fund, which contributes to the renewal and replacement of machinery and equipment in the Agricultural Colleges and schools which run Agricultural programs."

*Moved*      *Emma Faulkes-Taylor*      *Midwest Branch*  
*Seconded*      *Sally Brindal*      *Midwest Branch*      **CARRIED**



**A7 Central Wheatbelt North Branch**

*Appropriate Schooling*

"That ICPA (WA) lobbies the State Government to reconsider the impact of retaining 20% of funds from the Agricultural Education Farms Provision Trust (The Trust) for the purpose of 'budget repair'. The purpose of the Trust is to support Agricultural Education in both regional and metropolitan farm schools/colleges. The capacity of the Trust system to distribute funds according to need maintains an equal opportunity in education for each student regardless of the site they attend."

**Deemed Covered (A8)**

*Julie Walsh*

*Central Wheatbelt North Branch*

**A9 Pilbara Branch**

*Appropriate Schooling*

"That ICPA (WA) lobby the Minister for Education to reverse her decision to take 20% per year from the Agricultural Education Provisions Trust (AEPT) fund that supports WA's five Agricultural Colleges and the Esperance Senior High School Farm Training Centre commencing in 2019."

**Deemed Covered (A8)**

*Lindsay Newland*

*Pilbara Branch*

**S4 Yalgoo Branch**

*Appropriate Schooling*

"That ICPA (WA) continues to lobby the WA government to reverse its decision to take 20% of the funds currently contributed by the Agricultural Colleges and the Esperance Farm School, from the Agricultural Education Farm Provision Trust Fund."

**Deemed Covered (A8)**

*Roxanne Morrissey*

*Yalgoo Branch*

**S5 Lakes District Branch**

*Appropriate Schooling*

"That ICPA (WA) lobby the Education Minister that a 20% dividend is not taken annually from the Agricultural schools of WA trust fund."

**Deemed Covered (A8)**

*Kym Ross*

*Lakes District Branch*

**A10 Midwest Branch**

*Appropriate Schooling*

"That ICPA (WA) lobby the State Government to ensure that the Agricultural Colleges and schools who operate farms or agricultural programs, continue to have direct monitoring from the Department of Education and that Agricultural Curriculum continues to be valued and developed."

*Moved*

*Sally Brindal*

*Midwest Branch*

*Seconded*

*Emma Faulkes-Taylor*

*Midwest Branch*

**CARRIED**

**S6 Lakes District Branch**

*Appropriate Schooling*

"That ICPA (WA) lobby the education minister to reverse the decision to cut funding for those managing and supporting the agricultural curriculum."

**Deemed Covered (A10)**

*Kym Ross*

*Lakes District Branch*

**S7 Esperance Branch**

*Rural Schools*

"That ICPA (WA) lobbies the Minister for Education and the State Government that all rural and remote schools provide adequate housing, within a reasonable distance to their place of work, to accommodate the teachers working in Rural and Remote Schools."

*Moved*  
*Seconded*

*Michelle Barrett*  
*Karina Walter*

*Esperance Branch*  
*State Council*

**CARRIED**

**Agenda Motions: A2 A3 A1 S15 A26 A24 A25 Distance Education / Miscellaneous**

**A2 Pilbara Branch**

*Distance Education*

"That ICPA (WA) continues to lobby the Minister for Education to reverse the budget cuts to WA Schools of the Air (SOTAs) which grouped them in the Student-Centered Funding Model (SCFM)."

*Moved*  
*Seconded*

*Lindsay Newland*  
*Robin Pensini*

*Pilbara Branch*  
*State Council*

**CARRIED**

**A3 Pilbara Branch**

*Distance Education*

"That ICPA (WA) lobby the Education Department to obtain a copy of the findings from the review into the Student-Centered Funding Model (SCFM) in relation to its implementation over the five Schools of the Air (SOTAs)."

*Moved*  
*Seconded*

*Lindsay Newland*  
*Robin Pensini*

*Pilbara Branch*  
*State Council*

**CARRIED**

**A1 Goldfields Eyre Branch**

*Distance Education*

"That ICPA (WA) lobby the Department of Education to ensure that the role of Support Teacher of Learning (STL) and the funding for the position in Schools of the Air (SOTA) continues past 2018."

*Moved*  
*Seconded*

*Vicki McQuie*  
*Lana Lefroy*

*Goldfields Eyre Branch*  
*Goldfields Eyre Branch*

**CARRIED**

**S15 Gascoyne Branch**

*Distance Education*

"That ICPA (WA) urges the Minister for Education to consult with advisory groups and with parents collectively from each school before making significant changes to Schools of The Air (SOTAs) in the future."

*Moved*  
*Seconded*

*Kristie dePledge*  
*Alys McKeough*

*Gascoyne Branch*  
*Gascoyne Branch*

**CARRIED**



**A26 WA State Council**

*Miscellaneous*

“That ICPA (WA) send a letter to the Rural and Remote Advisory Council (RREAC), conveying disappointment at the lack of consultation from the Minister with the RREAC Council, prior to the education cuts announced on December 13.”

*Moved*  
*Seconded*

*Robin Pensini*  
*Liz Sudlow*

*State Council*  
*State Council*

**CARRIED**

**A24 Pilbara Branch**

*Miscellaneous*

“The ICPA (WA) Pilbara Branch would like to pass a special ‘Vote of Thanks’ to State Council for their dedication in fighting the recent education cuts.”

*Moved*  
*Seconded*

*Lindsay Newland*  
*Robin Pensini*

*Pilbara Branch*  
*State Council*

**CARRIED**

**A25 Midwest Branch**

*Miscellaneous*

“The Midwest Branch moves a vote of thanks to the State Council, the working group, and those that have been active on social media, print media, radio, writing letters and at public events for their many and varied contributions to fighting the cuts to regional education.”

*Moved*  
*Seconded*

*Emma Faulkes-Taylor*  
*Sally Brindal*

*Midwest Branch*  
*Midwest Branch*

**CARRIED**

