SPECIFIC NEEDS

A33. SOUTHERN DOWNS BRANCH

"Southern Downs Branch of ICPA thanks the ICPA Queensland State Council for all the work they have done on the development and formulation of the *Children Starting School in Rural and Remote Queensland Parent Resource.*"

Carried

Explanation: This document can be found at https://www.childrens.health.qld.gov.au/wp-content/uploads/PDF/qcycn/isolated-childrens-orange-book.pdf

2. A34. SOUTHERN DOWNS BRANCH

"That ICPA QLD Inc lobbies the Department of Education to have the *Children Starting School in Rural and Remote Queensland Parent Resource* document become a mandatory form of the Department of Education to be completed at enrolment in school. This document is also for use in kindergartens and day care centres and its use must be widely adopted by the Department of Education."

Carried

Explanation: This document can be used as a screening tool to identify and enable early intervention when it comes to the learning needs of our rural and remote students. The document can also be used as a tool by parents when discussing the needs of their children within the educational setting.