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## NEWS

### **February 5, 2015 – School Board Recognized for Service & Leadership this Month**

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Members and clerk to be honored at February 9 school board meeting

(STAUNTON, VA -- February 5, 2015) Staunton City Schools (SCS) will join school divisions throughout the state to honor its school board during School Board Appreciation Month in February. Almost 850 elected and appointed school board members throughout Virginia will be recognized by schools and communities for their service and dedication to public education.

Staunton City school board members as well as the school board clerk will be celebrated during their February 9 meeting, during which each of them will receive a certificate and a token of appreciation.

The theme of this year's celebration, "Student Focused Leadership," reflects the top priority of local school board members as they advocate for public education with local, state, and federal leaders.

"The foundation of school leadership is ensuring equal learning opportunities for all students," said SCS Superintendent Dr. Linda Reviea. "We're proud of our division, and School Board Appreciation Month is the time to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our elected trustees."

In Staunton, school board members must develop policies and make tough decisions on complex educational and social issues impacting the entire community. They bear responsibility for an annual budget of over \$33 million, approximately 2,700 students, more than 500 employees, and six school buildings.

"School board members statewide make decisions that affect 1.3 million Virginia children and more than \$3 billion," Reviea noted. "They preserve the core of our democracy—public education."

The men and women serving on the Staunton City school board include:

- Ronald Ramsey, Chair – member since 2004
- William Lobb, Vice Chair – member since 2012
- Robert Boyle – member since 2012
- Amy Darby – member since 2010
- Joel Grogan – member since 2012
- Laura Kleiner – member since 2014

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