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CHARLOTTE PUBLIC SCHOOLS CELEBRATES OUR SCHOOL BOARD LEADERS THIS JANUARY "School Boards LeadStrong"

January is School Board Recognition Month and **Charlotte Public Schools** is joining 545 local and 56 intermediate school districts across the state to thank these community volunteers for their untiring dedication to public education.

Serving on a school board has been described as the "toughest volunteer job in America." Yet Michigan's public school board members dedicate countless personal hours to attending meetings, school functions, and preparing for the decisions they make. They are dedicated individuals who are committed to the continuing success of our schools and students.

It's an exciting and challenging time in public education. School board members in **Charlotte** develop policies and make tough decisions that help shape the future of our education system. They bear responsibility and oversight for an annual budget of \$23.9 million, 2556 students, 300 employees and 6 buildings.

CPS proudly joins educators and community members in saluting these education advocates as they provide vision and leadership for student achievement, academic programs, district funding and school facilities.

The men and women serving Charlotte Public Schools and their years of service are:

Mr. Mike Bruce 1993-2006 2009 – Present

Mr. Eric Emery 2012 – Present

Mr. Shane Gonser New Board Member, January 2015

Ms. Julie Kimmer 2004 – Present Mr. Gary King 2011 – Present Mr. Ron Schultheiss 2000 – Present

Mr. Lee Wheaton New Board Member, January 2015