Hon. Donald C. White Inducted 2007

State Senator Donald C. White has been a friend and strong supporter of the Scotland School for Veterans' Children (SSVC) since his first tour of the school shortly after he became a state senator in 2000. At that time he assured the school superintendent that he understood the real value of the programs at Scotland. He applauded the efforts made to uplift the academic standards for its students and the effort to mold them into responsible citizens of the state. He pledged both his professional and personal support to the school, following through on that pledge with his political capital and personal resources. He has financially supported various Foundation fundraisers.

He has also supported SSVC with public funds. The School has enjoyed his strong support during the State budget process. His ability to procure over \$90,000 for the repair of the school's swimming pool was instrumental in preventing the school from being forced to permanently close the pool, a popular recreational activity for the children. During the initial process he personally contacted the superintendent to be sure that his efforts would be in concert with the school's priorities. Later when the situation changed he was quick to allow the school to change the project. Without that repair the school would have permanently lost the use of a very valuable asset that directly impacts the quality of life of the students. As a direct result of his support, work, and energy, that swimming pool reopened after four years of inactivity.

Senator White has made an immeasurable impact on Scotland School and on the lives of the students and employees at Scotland School for Veterans' Children.