The October 27, 2010 meeting of the Williamson Central School District Board of Education opened with the recognition of the board members for their service to the students of the district. Student representative Alexis Ginther reported that she attended leadership training with Otis Jennings today. She stated that it was a positive experience focused on using leadership qualities in a positive way for the benefit of the community. She also reported on sectional sports events including boys’ varsity soccer, girls’ varsity soccer, volleyball and the upcoming cross country league meet.

Anne Ressler highlighted high school students Britny Cole, Heidi DeCann, Damien Metcalf, Tyler Picotte, Brian Redder, A.J. Stohr, Haelee Catchpole, Jordan Daniels, Shawn Garofoli, Alex Kopicki, Nicole Krauth and Matt Wright who received training to be mentors to first and second grade students. She commented on the district mentoring program that matches adults in the district with fourth grade students and Teaching Rounds that were completed with first and second year teachers. She recognized Chris Henner and Lori Miller for their coordination of the upcoming Big Pumpkin Day. Wanda Miller reported that work has been done to maximize aide for special education students. John Fulmer commented on activities that were held for Red Ribbon Week that recognized drug resistance. He recognized Jack Matthys and Paula Shultes for the wonderful job that they have done coordinating MAP testing. He also commented on the leadership training that was held at the Middle School and he recognized Rich Rozzi and Cathie Abdunnasir for their work in the training. Kathryn Taylor commented on the Middle School cross country team league meet that was recently held. She recognized Carol McMahon and Heather Maloney for the job they do with the students on the team. Doug Lauf stated that it is very busy at the high school with many activities including the excellent student leadership training and the Halloween event that is being held at the High School for all children in the community on Friday evening. He also reported that AP Biology and Chemistry students are going on a field trip and Physics students are headed to Rochester Institute of Technology for a competition with their pumpkin throwing devices. Ellen Saxby commented that Brendan Noon was the teacher for the Teaching Rounds recently held at the high school and he did a nice job. She also recognized Paula Shultes, Jack Matthys, Kathy Henderson and Miranda Foss for their work on coordinating MAP tests. Lastly, she reported that the ninth grade students went on a team building field trip and it was very successful. Gary Barno thanked Wanda Miller and Annette Whitmore for their hard work in compiling information for state aide funding and he mentioned that the property tax report card is due November 12. He also stated that the district’s participation in the Rochester Area Scholarship Foundation fund has been very successful. Wendy Havens reported that Steve O’Brien has done an excellent job in his first two weeks as technology teaching assistant at the elementary school and that Jessica Warchocki was doing a wonderful job with assistance from students, Trevor Thayer, George Verno, Courtney Hill, Katherine Bonke and Katie White, in coordinating the All-County Chorus auditions. Maria Ehresman commented on the leadership trainings that were held and how positive they were for the students. She thanked all the community organizations that are helping with the event for the students on Friday night. The following organizations have contributed to the effort: American Legion Post #394, Williamson Business Improvement District, Larry and Diane Luke, East Williamson Fire Department, Pultneyville Fire Department, Williamson Volunteer Ambulance Service, Williamson Chamber of Commerce, Williamson Fire Department and Williamson Rotary. She also stated that the Race to the Top Initiative and the
Reform Agenda are moving rapidly and will cause enormous changes to curriculum, assessment and teacher evaluation systems in the state.

Under Board Committee Reports, there were updates on the Buildings and Grounds meeting, Safety Committee meeting and the High School Select Choir Cabaret. The members of the Middle School Building Planning team - John Fulmer, Karen Hoody, Deb DelPlato, Kathryn Taylor, Nina Caraveo, Adele Storms, Joan Frank, Ian Thomas and Amy Mayo - presented the 2010-2011 Middle School action plans. The plan includes the following goals and associated strategies:

**Student Success:**
- By the end of the 2010-2011 school year, we will increase grade level performance on the 5-8 NYS Math and ELA Assessments in an effort to achieve our district goal of 90% proficiency by the end of the 2014-2015 academic school year.
- By the end of the 2010-2011 academic school year we will increase proficiency at each grade level by 25% on the MAPS Reading Assessment in an effort to achieve our district reading benchmarks by the 2014-2015 academic school year.

**Student Support:**
- For the 2010-2011 academic school year we will increase the percentages of students displaying positive behavior indicators by decreasing excessive absences and tardiness; decreasing multiple discipline referrals; and increasing extra curricular participation.

Wanda Miller, Director of Pupil Personnel Services, presented the District Plan for Special Education for the 2010-11 school year. The plan included an overview of the types of services that are available to the students, a budget summary and a representation of students who participate in the special programs.

The Board approved several CSE cases and under the Consent Agenda, the Board minutes from the previous meeting, appointments of several substitutes and the following winter coaching appointments:

- Paul DiSanto: JV Girls Basketball
- Scott Kingsbury: Junior High Girls Basketball
- Doug Garrod: JV Boys Basketball
- Brian Steurrys: Junior High Boys Basketball
- Dan Schoonerman: Junior High Boys Basketball
- Alden Homner: JV & Junior High Wrestling
- Cindy Lewis: JV Cheerleading

They also approved the following changes in appointments:
- Erica Reid from Middle School Permanent Building Substitute to Middle School per diem substitute
- Sara Taft from classified substitute to Probationary Cafeteria Food Service Worker

Under New Business, the Board approved the following:
- Second readings of Policy 1800 Equal Opportunity and Policy 7525 Concussion Management
- 7th Grade Trip to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania and Hershey, Pennsylvania
- Agreement with the Town of Williamson for Salting and Sanding and Snow Plowing of the Sidewalk to the High School for the 2010-2011 School Year
- Resolution for Abolishment of Position and Reduction in Work Force for one (1) 1:1 aide position
- Changes to the substitute nurse and teacher rates