The May 26, 2010 meeting of the Williamson Central School District Board of Education began with a teacher tenure and retirement reception where the following individuals were recognized:

**Tenure Candidates**
- Andrew Donovan
- Heather Maloney
- Amy Vandergrift
- Amy Hanna
- Jessica Warchocki
- Stephanie Poole
- Christy Hout

**Retirees**
- Ken Scott
- Ben Minier
- Steve Murphy
- Linda Shepard
- Ellen Prill
- Mark Fiegl
- Joyce Perry
- Betty Stevenson
- Larry Barclay
- Mary LeStrange
- Kathleen Craig

President Michael Collins called the meeting to order. Under Reports from District Administrators, Gary Barno updated the board on the activities of the internal and external auditors. John Fulmer reported that the Middle School Olweus program was successful this year and he recognized the teachers for all of the work that they did for the program. He also stated that preparations are underway for the end of the year including – the eighth grade New York State Science and Social Studies assessments, final testing for all students and fun end of the year activities for students. Ellen Saxby thanked the Festival of the Arts Committee and all of the teachers for the work they did to make the event a success and she congratulated the group of students who worked on the second prize Mother Goose themed float for the Apple Blossom Festival parade. She also thanked the technology interns who are working very hard at this busy time of the year. Wanda Miller reported that Adam Datthyn and Jacob Paquette were inducted into the National Technical and Career Honor Society. She reminded the board that the Special Olympics will take place on May 28 and the students will be competing in Emma Akins’ honor at the event. Anne Ressler stated that New York State testing is almost complete and there are a number of activities planned including Festival of the Arts, Grandparents’ Day, Flag Day Ceremony and the Reading Incentive Program closing ceremony. She also reported that the Ontario Elementary and Primary Schools challenged the Williamson Elementary School to a friendly fund raising competition in honor of Julia Parker and they raised $3,000. She also highlighted Kathy Salitan and all of the work that she does in the building including administering all of the NYSESLAT testing. Doug Lauf recognized Brian Weeden and Ellen Shaw who led a top ten team for the Model UN competition. He also commented on the wonderful concert and art show that was held and Otis Jennings an invited speaker, who worked with students and staff on diversity and tolerance. Kate Taylor commented on all of the extra hours that teachers, including Caroline Donovan and Mark Cottrell, spend running review classes for students. Wendy Havens thanked the individuals who helped to make the budget vote go smoothly including Donna Cairns, district administrators and parent volunteers: Caroline Jackson, Jennifer Weinschreider, Cathy Farrington and JoAnn Neild.
Maria Ehresman thanked Cathie Abdunnasir who worked with students to develop ideas for a middle school summer camp. She has taken a strong leadership role and the town accepted the ideas that her group presented. She also commented on an awesome distance learning presentation that she observed that was an exciting opportunity to see the possibilities for future course offerings. She also reported that the district will go through a Medicaid audit that has to be completed in the next thirty days.

The Board reviewed recent meetings in the District. Several individuals were recognized including: Andy Wahl who coordinated the “Are You Smarter than a Williamson Student?”, Mark Montondo for his work on the high school One Act Play, Maria Ehresman for her hard work in preparing the budget, the community for supporting the budget this year, and district Curriculum Coordinators for the hard work that they do with their teams throughout the year. The Board approved a large number of CSE Case Summaries due to annual reviews and reviewed the Grades 5-12 Academic Achievement Report. Highlights from the report included:

- The number of failures at the eighth grade declined during the third marking period.
- Over 94% of middle school students are passing all of their courses.
- The number of students on the honor roll at each grade level increased.
- Three of the four grade levels in the Middle School had decreases in their failure rates during the third marking period.

Under the Consent Agenda, the Board approved the appointment of a classified substitute and the following:

- Retirement/resignation of Joyce Perry, Cleaner, Middle School, 20 years of service
- Retirement/resignation of Kathleen Craig, Bus Driver, 20 years of service

The Board also approved the appointments of the following individuals:

- Tricia Phillips, Technology Student Intern
- David Cocquyt, Technology Teacher, High School
- Summer 1:1 Student Aides, bus drivers, monitors and bus washer
- Change in appointment for Susan Riley, from Probationary to Permanent, Cafeteria Food Service Worker, Middle School
- Stephanie Poole and Karen Hoody, summer 9th Grade Academy Teachers.

Under Old Business, Superintendent Ehresman stated that the district would be signing the MOU for the Race to the Top funds and under New Business, the Board approved tenure appointments for the following individuals:

- Andrew Donovan, Elementary Teacher
- Heather Maloney, Reading Teacher
- Amy Vandergrift, Special Education
- Amy Hanna, Social Worker
- Jessica Warchocki, Vocal Music Teacher
- Stephanie Poole, Math Teacher
- Christy Hout, English Teacher

They also discussed their summer workshop and approved two new policies, the payment of up to five unused vacation days for administrators, the unpaid leave for Deanne Kuter and the Class of 2010 Courtyard Sleepover for June 4, 2010.