Prior to the August 27, 2008 Board of Education Meeting, a celebration was held to recognize the August 2008 graduates of Williamson High School. The following students were recognized:

- Kaitlyn Roberts
- John Parker
- David Pinaire
- Ira Jones
- Jessica Bleier
- Robert Goble

Under reports from District Administrators, Mrs. Wendy Havens recognized Doug Lauf, Mark Schichtel, John Fulmer, Ellen Saxby, Anne Ressler and Rich Rozzi for their hard work with new teacher orientation and opening day for teachers. Mr. Doug Lauf announced that 100 of 106 students attended ninth grade orientation and they were excited about coming to the high school. He also invited the Board to attend the presentation by Jeff Yalden on September 5 immediately following forum. The focus is on Life, Learning and Positive Decision Making. Mr. Mark Schichtel commented on new teacher orientation. Miss Ellen Saxby reported that more than half of the fifth graders attended Fifth Grade Orientation. They were able to see the building and were excited about starting in the Middle School. She also recognized Kevin O’Dell and Ian Thomas for their hard work in making sure that all of the computers in the District are ready for the return of the teachers and students. Miss Anne Ressler stated that the changes to the Elementary School will be beautiful when complete and that Alvin Law will be working with first through fourth grade students on September 4. She also commented on the first day for teachers that allowed them to engage in professional learning focused on Differentiated Instruction. Mrs. Wanda Miller reported that she had worked with the new teaching assistants and that they are very excited to meet the needs of the students. Mr. John Fulmer commented that the first day with teachers was very successful and worthwhile. He also thanked the support staff in the buildings that have been helping to prepare for the first day of school and commented on the excitement of the new teachers. Mr. Gary Barno reported that the audit was completed last week and the report should arrive in the next four to six weeks. Superintendent Ehresman stated that the staff development focus for the day was very positive including a keynote speech about inclusion. She also reported that kindergarten enrollment is up to ninety-five students and many families have been registering their students.
The Board approved several CSE case summaries and reviewed the Treasurer’s Report. With the approval of the Consent Agenda, the Board approved the following appointments:

- Deborah Lauf as a Long Term Substitute for Speech Therapy
- Susan VanStaalduinen as a probationary Full Time Student Aide, Middle School
- Connie Myers as a probationary Full Time Student Aide, Elementary School
- Victoria Schrader, probationary Elementary School Monitor
- Keri DeNagel, probationary Elementary School Monitor
- Tori Kolyer, probationary Elementary School Monitor
- Shaye Tanner, Middle School, Teaching Assistant, Level III
- Kacy Vendel, probationary High School Monitor
- Fall Coaching appointments:
  - Joanna Alexander – Girls JV Soccer and Amanda Gray – Junior High Volleyball

The Board also accepted the resignations of Alison Rider, Full Time Student Aide, Middle School and Jill Smyth, Long Term Substitute, Middle School and approved the following changes in appointments:

- Tiffany Brothers from Probationary Part-Time Bus Monitor to Permanent Part-Time Bus Monitor
- Natalie Scribner, Part-Time Teacher Aide, Elementary School to Classified Substitute

The Board discussed the schedule for reports to the Board for the 2008-09 school year and were updated on the progress of the capital project. Mr. Todd LaBarr provided an update on the project. He reported that the project is slightly behind schedule but by the opening of school most items will be completed. He reviewed the following items:

**Elementary School**

- Sidewalk will be poured
- Cafeteria floor work is underway and will be finished before Tuesday
- Main Office area is freshly painted, carpeted and the new furniture being assembled is expected to be done Thursday
- New security door is in place
- Access road at the back of the building is installed with final work done by the end of the week

**Middle School**

- Damaged Terrazzo floors have been replaced
- Science room renovations are completed
- Windows are 95% complete
- All classroom lighting has been replaced
- Carpeting is complete
- Corridor ceilings are complete
- Need to complete final programming for the security system
- Locker room is complete with the exception of the lockers which should arrive between September 3 and September 10
- The cost for the removal of the fuel tanks is within the budget
High School
- Subdivision of science room will be complete by the opening of school
- Sign at the front of the building has wiring issues that are being addressed
- Locker rooms will be completed with the exception of the new lockers
- Updates to the District network servers are complete
- Soccer field has new sod, will be hydra-seeded within the next few days
- Irrigation system is being adjusted to cover the whole field
- Final paving of the tennis court was completed Wednesday, 8/27 with the rest of the tennis court work scheduled to be complete by early next week.

District Office
- Windows were installed
- Drainage issues are being addressed

He also commented that some questions have been asked about processes that the construction companies have been following and reviewed the responsibilities that the contractors have for damages incurred during the construction process. He commented that any damage that has occurred has been addressed within a very short period of time and stated that overall, the District is in very good shape in terms of completion of the project. He also recognized the Facilities Department for all of their help and support throughout the project.

Under New Business, the Board approved an increase to the Petty Cash Fund for the School Lunch Program, the Non-Monroe County Municipal School District Program Resolution to Provide Health Benefits and up to an additional four days of summer employment for Jamie Sonneville.