

October 26, 2000

Wednesday night's Board of Education Meeting began with the School Board members being recognized for their commitment and dedication to the students, staff and residents of Williamson as part of School Board Recognition Week celebrated across New York State. Under announcements, Gretchen Craft reported on the VOPRO Open House she attended and reported that she walked the property the District is considering purchasing. Bucky Jordan reported that he had visited the Transportation Department and talked with drivers and Supervisor, Nancy Weber, and that he is beginning the process of developing plans and ideas for a future capital project. Bucky also reported that the November 15th meeting will begin with a tour of the High School building and the public meeting will take place in the High School Library. Deb Larson pointed out DARE week and recognized three High School students who will perform with the Rochester POPS Concert. She also provided the other Board Members with a written report from the NYSSBA Convention that she attended. Bill Herbert reported on the last Town Board Meeting and shared correspondence received. He recognized three Middle School students whose art work was displayed at the recent convention in Rochester.

The Consent Agenda was approved which included substitute teachers and classified staff as well as winter coaching appointments. Under reports to the Board, Sandy Kane, Becky Lisy and Norlyn Legler were in attendance to present a report on the Early Literacy Profile being instituted in grades 1-3 at the Elementary School. The inventory is a new requirement from the State Education Department and will serve as a diagnostic tool to identify each student's reading, writing, listening and speaking level. The inventory will be administered yearly and the results will be passed along with the student through the Elementary grades. Results will be shared with parents at teacher conferences and progress will be tracked continuously as the student's literary level increases. Teachers have begun to administer the new assessment. Monthly Principal Reports were received with portions being highlighted by the administrators.

Under Old Business the Board continued their review of policies. Policies 1333, 1551, 1571 and 1700 were approved for a second reading; policies 1510 & 1810 were approved for a first reading. These two will be read a second time at the next meeting. President Herbert also announced to the Board that the 2000 and 3000 sections will be initially discussed at the next meeting.

Under New Business the Board approved the CSE District Plan, that must be reviewed every two years. Wanda Miller and her staff were thanked for their work on this. The Board accepted the resignation of Scott Dawson, 8th Grade English Teacher.

After a short Executive Session, the Board approved the CSE Case Summaries that had been tabled earlier. Meetings were announced and Public Participation was held. The meeting was recessed to Executive Session at 9:15 p.m. and adjourned at 9:25 p.m. with no further business being done.