WAYNE - Commission President Bob Pasley signed and presented a proclamation to students from Buffalo Middle School to make Feb. 22 “SADD Shines Day” in Wayne County during a meeting on Monday.

Student members of Students Against Destructive Decisions from the school attended the meeting and gave a presentation about SADD and what the organization means to them personally.

“There is a lot of bad happening in the world, and I joined SADD to help change that to make it good,” student Braylen Leslie said.

There were 15 students total present, and four spoke in front of commissioners.

“I’m really glad we did this,” Tyler Wellman said. “We need a day devoted to helping students.”

Wellman said SADD is important to him because he wants to help people.

“I want to help students and make their lives better,” he said.

Kiersten Register said it felt good to speak in front of commissioners, and gave her a feeling of responsibility.

“I wanted to be apart of this group [SADD] because it can help change the world,” she said. “Some people don’t care about their actions, they just want to go out and party and end up getting injured or injuring someone else by drinking and driving.”

Members agreed that engaging in activities such as field trips and attending the commission meeting are high points of being in SADD.

“I really like doing the activities and informing people about what we do,” Leslie said.

According the proclamation, SADD Shines Day will be a way to bring awareness to the organization’s cause as well as encourage people from the county to engage in activities that will teach decision making skills to children and young adults.