Turrill students led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Superintendent Matt Wandrie introduced Melinda Williams, new speech pathologist, and Taylor Rutledge, Math/Science teacher at Lapeer East and West. Other new teachers/administrators were unable to attend due to prior commitments.

Ken Janzcarek, Turrill Elementary Principal, presented information on school improvement. He reviewed what staff in his building is doing to make sure all students are successful and how they are assisting students who need additional help.

Peggy Bush reported on the Finance and Operation Committee meeting that was held on August 16 when the following items were discussed: Pre-Audit Communication to the Board; Community Mental Health; and City Schools.

Gary Oyster reported on the Personnel Committee meeting that was held on August 22 when negotiations were discussed.

Denise Becker reported on the Student Advocacy and Communications Committee meeting that was held on August 23 when the following items were discussed: Procedures Regarding Enrollment Projection Information; Attendance Policy; and Field Trips.

Wendy Byard reported on the Teaching, Learning, and Technology Committee meeting that was held on August 23 when External Testing Tools and Time Allocation Guides were discussed.

The Board approved the 2012 Tax Levy Resolution and Form L4029. Form L4029 specifies to the Treasurers of the various townships the exact amount to levy.

Board members thanked Turrill Students for leading the pledge and thanked Mr. Janczarek for his presentation. Mrs. Bush explained that, through her nursing job, she has been in several schools assisting staff in supporting students with long-term chronic illnesses. Mr. Keller congratulated Mrs. Byard on the article which featured her educational/life views in the September/October 2012 Women 2 Women Michigan Magazine.

Superintendent Wandrie thanked Mr. Janczarek for his presentation. Mr. Wandrie also thanked the secretaries in our buildings for their work and the amount of time they spend solving problems and helping staff and parents. They are the first voice that parents come in contact with when calling or entering our buildings.

Mr. Wandrie shared that Central Office Leadership has begun the Task Force process and volunteers will be contacted soon letting them know when the meetings begin. He stated that he is excited to learn what people are thinking and see what the Task Forces bring forward to the Board. He reminded everyone that it is not too late to sign up for a Task Force and encouraged those interested to go to the District Website and sign up.