

**PENDER PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Pender Community Center – Community Room #1**  
**Friday, March 16, 2018 – 1:30 p.m.**

The Pender Public School Board of Education met in special session at the Pender Community Center in Community Room #1 on Friday, March 16, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. President Peters called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. with the following members present: Jason Roth, Matt Peters, Dan Wichman and Jean Karlen. Absent: Matt Heineman and JJ Maise. Roth moved and Karlen seconded to excuse Heineman and Maise. President Peters stated the motion and the result of roll call vote being all ayes; motion carried. Also present were Superintendent Jason Dolliver, Secondary Principal Eric Miller, Elementary Principal/SPED Director Kelly Ballinger and Recording Secretary Deanna Hansen.

As required by Nebraska Statute 84-1412(8), President Peters drew the attention of those present to the location of information regarding the Open Meetings Act available on Superintendent Dolliver's computer and accessible to all members of the public.

President Peters reviewed the agenda as presented, affirmed that all board members had received notice of the meeting and that the time and place of the special meeting had been published.

A motion was made by Wichman and seconded by Roth to approve the agenda as presented. President Peters stated the motion and the result of roll call vote being all ayes; motion carried.

Joining the Board of Education members and school Administrators were Nebraska District #16 State Senator Joni Albrecht and Nebraska District #17 State Senator Lydia Brasch. Superintendent Dolliver thanked them for accepting the invitation to sit down with members of the Pender Public School Administration and Board of Education to discuss school finance.

Dr. Dolliver began the discussion with some background information about Pender Public Schools. He shared budget history, enrollment trends and staff growth numbers in addition to concerns about budget authority, state-wide property tax/levy problems and loss of local control.

Senators Albrecht and Brasch participated in a discussion with the Board members and school Administrators about the concerns voiced and the bills effecting school finance that are currently being discussed in the State Legislature.

President Peters thanked Senators Albrecht and Brasch for their time and the information shared.

Motion was made by Roth and seconded by Wichman to adjourn. President Peters stated the motion and the result of roll call vote being all ayes; the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Jason Roth, Secretary

Deanna Hansen, Recording Secretary