

# District 1 searches for new principal

## Will replace retiring Bob Edwards

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Staff reporter

BIG HORN — School District 1 will begin advertising next week for a new Tongue River High School principal following action at a Monday board of trustees meeting in Big Horn.

Superintendent Rod Svee said the position will be advertised through Jan. 7. He said several people have already contacted him about the opening.

The new principal will replace Bob Edwards, who is retiring at the end of this school year.

Svee said community members

and TRHS staff are providing input in the selection. Cathy Fortier is representing parents, while Richard O'Hare is representing staff.

In other business at Monday's meeting, the board:

- Reappointed Roy Garber of Big Horn to the Whitney Benefits board of directors. The other district representative on the Whitney board is Sam Scott of Dayton.



Rod Svee

Svee said Whitney Benefits helps District 1 through stu-

dent scholarships, programs for high school students at Sheridan College, and activities at the

Sheridan County YMCA.

- Hired Tim Malone of Malone Belton Abel as a facility planner for the next phase of building development in the Big Horn Schools. BHES Principal Brent Caldwell said Malone will gather input from school staff and community members on ways to accommodate growth and student needs.

- Awarded a \$20,900 contract to sole-bidder School Specialties of Billings for new bleachers at the Tongue River High School football field. Work is expected to take place this fall.

- Awarded a \$201,676 bid to Casper Truck Center Inc. for two full-size Thomas school buses. Svee said the two buses are replacing older buses that are being traded in.

The district also received a \$105,900 bid from Elder Equipment Leasing of Wyoming Inc., based in Casper, for two similar buses.

- Learned that Tongue River High School Close-Up students decided to postpone this year's trip to Washington, D.C., until next year. Students are continuing their fund-raising efforts.

- Accepted the resignation of Big Horn bus driver Robert Schoener Jr., who was replaced by Shelli Vits. Vits was already employed as Big Horn Elementary School's part-time "Friday activities coordinator."

- Accepted \$362 in donations from the Big Horn Lions Club for shop materials in the middle and high schools, and for computer software in BHES.

The board also accepted used computer equipment totaling about \$700 from Big Horn resident Sophie Pelissier. The equipment will be used in the middle/high schools.