

BIG BEND ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.



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Manager's Message

Nomination and Election of Trustees

Big Bend Electric Cooperative is a nonprofit, member-owned electric utility. The Cooperative is governed by nine trustees. Members, such as you, vote to elect trustees from a list of nominees selected by a nominating committee, along with any candidates nominated by petition.

Elections will be held at Big Bend's 69th annual meeting in Basin City on Saturday, February 23, 2008.

One trustee will be elected from each of three districts to serve three-year terms. Trustees whose three-year terms expire at this meeting are:

Melvin Kagele..... District I
Dennis Swinger Sr.....District II
Daniel Bauermeister..District III

A vacancy also exists in District I for a two-year term.

A nominating committee appointed by the Cooperative's board of trustees will meet November 15 to nominate candidates willing and qualified to serve on the Cooperative's board. The following members have agreed to serve on the nominating committee:

Big Bend Electric Co-op will be closed November 12 to observe Veterans Day, and November 22 and 23 to observe Thanksgiving.

District I

Herb Benzel.....Ritzville
Floyd Honn.....Endicott

District II

Mark Booker.....Othello
Remie DeRuwe.....Connell
Randy Kulm.....Lind

District III

Elwyn Fletcher.....Mesa
Reid Schafer.....Pasco
Richard Sturtevant.....Pasco

If you are a qualified member of the Cooperative and would like to be considered for nomination, or if you would like to submit the name of another qualified member, please contact the nominating committee member in your area, or contact the Cooperative for assistance.

A member who wants to serve on the Cooperative's board and who qualifies as a candidate for one of the Cooperative's three districts, but is not nominated as a candidate by the nominating committee, may be nominated by petition. The petition must be signed by at least 15 members qualified to vote in the

district the member desires to run for, and must be filed with the Cooperative's secretary no later than January 1, 2008.

A complete explanation about qualifications and bylaw information on nomination and election of trustees can be found on pages 28 and 29 of this magazine.

Please let your voice be heard. Plan to attend your Cooperative's annual meeting on Saturday, February 23, 2008, to vote in person, or you may vote by mail using ballots that will be sent out with return envelopes in February.

Please contact our office if you have any questions about your Cooperative's nomination and election process. ■

Please remember that names for nomination must be submitted to nominating committee members before November 15, 2007.

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