WRITE-INS

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with 59 write-in votes. The next closest was Brenda Profitt with 13 write-ins. Next were former mayor and councilor Ed Glenn with five votes and Art Kegler and Jane Akers each with four. In all 37 people received write-in votes for that council position.

According to the Morrow County Clerk all the vote counts are unofficial and non-confirmed counted only.

IONE SCHOOL BOARD

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to bring the Ione charter's policies in line with Ione's district policies and the state. He suggested that board members attend a charter school summit, which would include other charter schools around the state and would provide training through the Oregon Department of Education or the Oregon School Board Association.

Mulvihill suggested that the board meet with neighboring school superintendents concerning attendance regulations and reminded them that transfers do not exist with regard to charter schools. Archer pointed out that, in conflict with current policy, the school must take new students at any time, not just at semesters as with regular kindergarten through 12th grade districts.

Archer and Mulvihill also told the board that the Ione Schools currently do not have adequate custodial and maintenance employees. They said that administration has been taking care of a lot of those issues and suggested that Ione Schools work with the ESD in contracting with neighboring districts, such as Pendleton, for maintenance and custodial duties, or hire the duties out and then build those departments into next year's budget.

Mulvihill also told the board that the ESD will bring the board a proposal concerning ESD services and costs to the board in February for renewal or non-renewal by the board in March.

PHEASANT POPULATION

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ties so the general public will have chances to hunt the birds.

The Willow Creek Valley Economic Development Group earlier gave Hornbeck $375 in seed money to get the project going, and he used that for matching funds from the county tippage fund.

Pettyjohn's Farm & Builders Supply and Boise Cascade donated materials for the project and the Scout troop is helping build and set up the structures. "Hopefully this will help bring the bird population back to where it used to be," says Hornbeck.

HES students raising funds for performance

Seven students from Mrs. Stone's choir class have been selected to perform in a choral group representing the best of Oregon's elementary school choirs. This event will take place on January 15 during the Oregon Music Educators Association (OMEA) conference luncheon in Eugene. The OMEA promotes excellence in music education and serves the professional needs of its members. The registration fee for this event is $160 per student which includes their registration, a t-shirt, lodging and meals. The students are raising $1,400 to cover the fees and to offset the travel expenses. The group will be doing several fundraisers including pop can collections, candy cane sales, and donation jars at some of the local businesses. Les Schwab Tire Center and Pettyjohn's Building Supply have provided donations. Anyone interested in helping with the fundraising can contact Mrs. Stone at 541-676-9128. Pictured Top Left to Right: Demi Schmidt, Onna DeLoach, Tristan Estabrook, and Nalani Stone. Bottom Left to Right: Sydney Qualls, Emily Cecil, and Kane Sweeney. *–Contributed Photo*

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UPGRADE

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said. At the purchaser's request he did not name who had bought the property.

The council also voted to spend "up to $500" to advertise in the Eastern Oregon Visitors Guide. Sheryll Bates of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce was at the meeting making the request. She said the guide is a good way to promote Heppner and the money would be well spent. She said there are 100,000 copies of the guide printed and it gets wide circulation. The city had some advertising in last year's guide but she would like to see it expanded with a joint effort of the city and other entities and businesses. "I would like to see us have two pages," Bates said, in order to promote Heppner and St. Patrick's Day Celebration.

Mayor Les Paustian asked that the council have input on what goes in the ad. "If the city is going to be monetarily involved they should have input into what goes into it," he said.

The council also received the police report for the month of October.

Sheriff's Report for October 2010

Traffic: There were 14 traffic stops resulting in two citations and one arrest for DUII. MCSO received a complaint regarding three vehicles speeding on Hager St.

Code Enforcement: Three barking dog complaints were received, resulting in one citation. A caller reported finding two dogs on his property, and he had dead chickens. The dogs were located and transported to Pet Rescue. Two code enforcement contacts were initiated, mostly concerning, garbage and vehicles. MCSO received a complaint about loud music coming from a parked vehicle on a residential street. MCSO received two parking complaints. Two cows were in the roadway. A deputy responded and placed the cows back in the pasture. A peacock was reported on the caller's property.

Theft Complaints: MCSO received a report of a person who left his coat at Bucknum's, and wanted to report it as stolen. A citizen received a check and letter in the mail. The citizen believed it was a scam. Three reports of fuel drive-off from the Chevron station were reported. Two of the drivers were located and returned to pay for the fuel. The third was not located. MCSO received a report of a truck canopy, which had been placed on blocks, found damaged in their neighbor's backyard.

All Other: MCSO Deputy found a bicycle. MCSO Deputy responded to a report of an MIP party. The deputy was UTL anyone. A deputy responded to a report of an on-going issue of juveniles knocking on a door and running away. The juveniles and mother were contacted. A citizen reported hearing one gunshot from a neighboring apartment complex. A deputy checked the area and was unable to locate the source of the reported gunshot. A citizen reported a male pounding on the front door of their residence. The male left before the deputy arrived. A citizen reported they were still having issues with their computer and felt it had been hacked into. The citizen called back and told MCSO to disregard; they would have a computer technician look at the computer. A deputy responded to a report of an assault in progress. It was determined to be between a mother and a juvenile son.

New InterMountain ESD Board members elected

The new InterMountain Education Service District (IMESD) Board of Directors was selected during the November 2 General Election through a vote that spanned four counties (Umatilla, Morrow, Union and Baker). These seven board members will take the oath of office during the first IMESD Board meeting on December 8.

Newly-elected IMESD Board members include: Kathy Neal (Zone 1 – representing the Morrow, Ione, Ukiah, Pilot Rock, and Umatilla school districts); Kelly Bissinger (Zone 2 – representing the Hermiston School District); Verneda Wagner (Zone 3 – representing the Helix, Milton-Freewater, Athena-Weston, Stanfield, and Echo school districts); Jack Matlock (Zone 4 – representing the Pendleton School District); Merle Comfort (Zone 5 – representing the La Grande, Imbler, Cove, and Elgin school districts); Dale Bingham (Zone 6 – representing the Baker, Pine Eagle, Burnt River, North Powder, and Union school districts); and Joe McElligott (Zone 7 – At-Large, representing Umatilla, Morrow, Union and Baker counties).

Board members will draw for two- and four-year terms at the December board meeting.

These board members will represent the IMESD, which is the result of a merger between the Umatilla-Morrow ESD and Union-Baker ESD. The IMESD will become official on May 31, 2011. The new IMESD board will meet monthly beginning in December (second Wednesday of each month) prior to the UMESD and UBESD board meetings to approve IMESD policies, hire staff, approve the 2011-2012 Local Service Plan and collective bargaining agreements, and develop a budget.

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SUPERINTENDENT RETIRES

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softball, baseball, golf and tennis for 2010-12.

-approved the second reading and adopted a revision of the Americans with Disabilities Act policy to prohibit retaliation against anyone who files a claim, participates in a proceeding or otherwise opposes discrimination under federal or state laws;

-approved the second reading and adopted a revision of the Equal Employment Opportunity policy to include veteran's status and genetic information.

-approved the second reading and adopted policy on hiring education assistants to include that ed assistants must have: a high school diploma or the equivalent; be at least 18 years or older; have standards of more character as required of teachers; must have knowledge and ability to provide accurate translations if providing translation services. The policy now also allows the assistant to have a paraprofessional certificate; adds specialist or supervisor to those whom the assistant can assist; and lists additional supporting tasks that the assistant may be required to perform.

-approved the second reading and adopted policy permitting the use of personal communication devices and social media for staff as long as the devices are silenced during instructional time and used judiciously and professionally. Staff is subject to disciplinary action, including dismissal, for using a personal communication device illegally or in violation of the terms of the policy. The policy states that taking or distributing obscene, pornographic or illegal images may constitute a crime and any person disseminating such will be reported to law enforcement officials.

-approved the first reading of a revision on personal communication devices and social media for students which prohibits students from accessing medial sites using district equipment, while on district property or at district-sponsored activities unless the posting is approved by a district representative.

-approved the second reading and adopted policy on nondiscrimination.

-approved the second reading and adopted policy on job descriptions.

-approved a resolution to accept a "GEAR UP" grant as unanticipated revenue

-approved the following employment action: resignation for Kim Finley, Sam Boardman Elementary School special ed assistant, effective January 1; retirement for Phyllis Danielson, assistant superintendent, effective December 31, however she will complete the school year through June 30; employment for Myrtle Conlon, Windy River Elementary School ed assistant; promotion for Joy Hearn, from Irrigon Junior/Senior High School assistant girls' coach to head girls' coach; extra duty for Jeromy Wilson as IJSHS assistant boys' basketball coach.

-received the following enrollment report: A.C. Houghton Elementary School (kindergarten through grade three)-261; Heppner Elementary School (k-grade six)-183; Heppner High School (grade seven through 12) -214; Irrigon Elementary School (grades four-six)-222; Irrigon High School (grades seven-12)-324; Riverside High School (grades seven-12)-400; Sam Boardman Elementary School (grades k-three)-308, Windy River Elementary (grades four-six)-219; Morrow Education Center (MCSD students)-49; MES (Umatilla School District students)-23; total 2203.

-held an executive session to discuss personnel issues, negotiations and student expulsion.

-received the following announcements: Veteran's Day holiday, Thursday, November 11; Oregon School Board Association fall convention, Pendleton, Thursday, November 11 through Sunday, November 14; Thanksgiving holiday, Thursday and Friday, November 25-26; next board meeting, Irrigon Elementary, Monday, December 13, 7 p.m.

Ione Community Church to host Harvest Party

Ione Community Church will be hosting a Harvest Party on Sunday, November 14, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. There will be a soup lunch followed by autumn crafts, games and making cider with an old fashioned cider press. All are welcome.

Ione graduate to play violin in "The Phantom of the Opera" at EOU

The famous musical, "The Phantom of the Opera" is coming to the Eastern Oregon University stage November 9-14. EOU is breaking new ground as the first university in the U.S. to produce an amateur version of "The Phantom" - which is making history as the longest running musical on Broadway. The show opens at 7 p.m. each night in McKenzie Theatre, seating capacity of 435, in Loso Hall with a 2 p.m. performance Sunday, November 14.

An impressive cast includes not only college students and community members, but also includes Stacy Murdock, a professional singer with the Portland Opera, who has been cast as "The Phantom." Over 100 costumes have been designed as well as an elaborate stage set - which includes a working chandelier. The show also features a live orchestra. Recent Ione graduate, Eric Jepsen, a freshman at Eastern, will be playing violin in the orchestra pit.

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