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## NORTHWEST MISSOURI FINANCIAL WOMEN MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER MEETING September 10, 2009

The September meeting of the Northwest Missouri Financial Women was held on Thursday, September 10th at Boudreaux's in St. Joseph. Mercantile Bank hosted the meeting. President Cindy Wilson called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. There were 39 members/guests and 1 speaker present.

Cheryl Bilby gave the invocation and all enjoyed a delicious meal.

The program for the evening was presented by Andy Thomure, with the FBI. Andy shared important information regarding robbery and bank security. He gave a thorough presentation that explored recent local robberies in depth.

The April 2009 meeting minutes and treasurer's report of \$4,750.10 were previously circulated to the group; a motion was made by Cheryl Bilby to approve as mailed. Danielle Miller seconded the motion and the motion to accept the minutes and treasurer's report was approved.

Old business included discussion of future meetings – October and March were still in need of a host. UMB Bank volunteered to host the March 2010 meeting but October still needs a host. As a reminder, the host will be responsible for picking the restaurant and selecting the meal choices, determining the meeting topic, and lining up the speaker.

New business included the addition of several new members to the group and several others who have shown interest in the group. Thank you to everyone who helped spread the word about our organization. A special thanks was given to Jill Gockel for the setting up the new organization. Cindy Wilson also mentioned that the organization's bylaws have been established and asked members to state any proposed amendments. There was no response. Please contact an officer if you would like to review a copy of the current bylaws.

Based on received applications, new members are: Latricia Adkins (UMB), Lori Boyer (The Commerce Trust Company), Kimberly Ferrell (UMB), Lynne Fuller (UMB), Karen Gerling (NVB), Ashley Greeley (NVB), Felicia Hendrix (UMB), Mary Jo Hilsabeck (Mercantile), Denise Kretzer (UMB), Rosie Merritt (Mercantile), Kathy Neely (Mercantile), Patricia Sherry (NVB), Jaren Taylor (Mercantile), Tanya Thompson (NVB), Jessi Tobin (NVB), Megan Weigler (Commerce Bank), and Jenna Wells (Mercantile).

There were no new announcements.

The door prize was won by Tanya Thompson of NVB. She won two tickets to the Josephine Women's Expo in St. Joseph and a \$25 gift certificate to Boudreaux's Restaurant.

Future meeting dates:

October 8, 2009    ???  
November 12, 2009 Bank Midwest  
February 11, 2010 Nodaway Valley Bank  
March 11, 2010    UMB Bank  
April 8, 2009      BTC Bank

**Please contact an officer as soon as possible if you are interested in hosting the October meeting.**

With no further business, Donna Zion made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Melanie Walley. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Gockel, Secretary / Treasurer

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Treasury balance as of September 25, 2009    \$5369.69