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91 North Clay Street  
Millersburg, Ohio 44654  
March 26, 2010

To Our Shareholders:

You are cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on Wednesday, April 21, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. at the Carlisle Inn, Walnut Creek, Ohio 44687.

The election of Directors will take place at the Annual Meeting. This year we will elect two directors whose term will expire at the Annual Meeting in 2013. Both of the nominees are currently serving as Directors. We are also asking you to ratify the selection of our independent registered public accountants for the coming fiscal year.

Enclosed is the Notice of Annual Meeting together with a Proxy Statement which contains information with respect to the nominees to serve as Directors, as well as the other Directors who will continue in office, and additional information with respect to the public accountant proposal you are being asked to vote upon.

It is very important that your shares be voted, and we hope that you will be able to attend the Annual Meeting. We urge you to execute and return the enclosed form of proxy as soon as possible, whether or not you expect to attend the Annual Meeting in person.

Sincerely,

/s/ John R. Waltman

/s/ Eddie L. Steiner

John R. Waltman  
Chairman, Board of Directors

Eddie L. Steiner  
President and Chief Executive Officer

**CSB BANCORP, INC.**  
**91 North Clay Street**  
**Millersburg, Ohio 44654**  
**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS**  
**To Be Held Wednesday, April 21, 2010**

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of CSB Bancorp, Inc. ( CSB ) will be held at the Carlisle Inn, Walnut Creek, Ohio, on Wednesday, April 21, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. local time, for the following purposes:

1. To elect two directors for three-year terms ending in 2013;
2. To ratify the appointment of S.R. Snodgrass, A.C. as the independent registered public accounting firm for CSB Bancorp, Inc. for the year 2010;
3. To transact any other business that may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournments thereof.

The Board of Directors has fixed the close of business of March 1, 2010 as the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting. Your Board of Directors recommends that you vote **FOR** the election of each of the director nominees and **FOR** the ratification of the independent registered public accounting firm.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

/s/ Eddie L. Steiner  
Eddie L. Steiner  
President and Chief Executive Officer

Millersburg, Ohio  
March 26, 2010

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**CSB BANCORP, INC.**  
**91 North Clay Street**  
**Millersburg, Ohio 44654**  
**PROXY STATEMENT**  
**ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS**  
**April 21, 2010**  
**GENERAL**

The enclosed proxy is solicited by the Board of Directors of CSB Bancorp, Inc. ( CSB or Company ), the principal executive offices of which are located at 91 North Clay Street, Millersburg, Ohio 44654, in connection with the Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the Meeting ) of CSB to be held on Wednesday, April 21, 2010, at the Carlisle Inn, Walnut Creek, Ohio, at 7:00 p.m. local time or at any adjournment thereof. This proxy statement and the accompanying notice of meeting are first being mailed to shareholders on or about March 26, 2010.

The Meeting has been called for the following purposes: (i) to elect two directors, each for a three-year term; (ii) to ratify the selection of the independent registered public accounting firm for 2010; (iii) to transact any other business that may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

**REVOCAION OF PROXIES, DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY  
AND CUMULATIVE VOTING**

Shares of CSB s common stock, par value \$6.25 per share (the Common Shares ), can be voted at the Meeting only if the shareholder is represented by proxy or is present in person. Shareholders who execute proxies retain the right to revoke it prior to or at the Meeting. Unless so revoked, the shares represented by such proxies will be voted at the Meeting and all adjournments thereof. Proxies may be revoked by written notice to the Secretary of CSB (addressed to: CSB Bancorp, Inc., 91 North Clay Street, Millersburg, Ohio 44654, Attention: Ms. Peggy L. Conn, Secretary) or by the filing of a later dated proxy prior to a vote being taken on a particular proposal at the Meeting. A proxy will not be voted if a shareholder attends the Meeting and votes in person. Proxies solicited by the Board of Directors will be voted in accordance with the directions given therein. Where no instructions are indicated, proxies will be voted for the nominees for directors set forth below or as otherwise described herein in the event cumulative voting for directors is properly requested. The proxy confers discretionary authority on the persons named therein to vote with respect to (i) the election of any person as a director where the nominee is unavailable or unable to serve, (ii) matters incident to the conduct of the Meeting and (iii) any other business that may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournment thereof. At this time, it is not known whether there will be cumulative voting for the election of directors at the Meeting. Cumulative voting is not available for the other proposals referenced and described below. If any shareholder properly demands cumulative voting for the election of directors at the Meeting, their proxy will give the individuals named on the proxy full discretion and authority to vote cumulatively, and in their sole discretion to allocate votes among any or all of the nominees for director, unless authority to vote for any or all of the nominees is withheld. CSB is the sole shareholder of The Commercial & Savings Bank of Millersburg, Ohio, an Ohio banking corporation ( Bank ).

The Board of Directors of CSB is soliciting the enclosed proxy and the cost of soliciting proxies will be borne by CSB. In addition to use of the mail, proxies may be solicited personally or by telephone, telefax, or email by directors, officers and employees of CSB.

## VOTING INFORMATION

### Who can vote at the Annual Meeting?

Only holders of common shares of record at the close of business on March 1, 2010 are entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the Meeting. At the close of business on March 1, 2010, there were 2,734,799 common shares outstanding and entitled to vote. The common shares are the only shares of CSB's capital stock entitled to vote at the Meeting.

Each holder of common shares is entitled to one vote for each common share held on March 1, 2010. A shareholder wishing to exercise cumulative voting with respect to the election of directors must notify the President, a Vice President or the Secretary of CSB in writing before 7:00 p.m., on April 19, 2010. If cumulative voting is requested and if an announcement of such request is made upon the convening of the Meeting by the chairman or the secretary of the meeting or by or on behalf of the shareholder requesting cumulative voting, you will have votes equal to the number of directors to be elected, multiplied by the number of common shares owned by you, and will be entitled to distribute your votes among the candidates as you see fit.

### How do I vote?

Whether or not you plan to attend the Meeting, we urge you to vote in advance by proxy. To do so, you may complete, sign and date the accompanying proxy card and return it in the envelope provided.

If you plan to attend the Meeting and vote in person, we will give you a ballot when you arrive. If your common shares are held in the name of your broker, your financial institution or another record holder, you must bring an account statement or letter from that broker, financial institution or other holder of record authorizing you to vote on behalf of such record holder. The account statement or letter must show that you were the direct or indirect beneficial owner of the common shares on March 1, 2010, the record date for voting at the Meeting.

### What if my common shares are held in street name ?

If you hold your common shares in street name with a broker, a financial institution or another holder of record, you should review the information provided to you by such holder of record. This information will describe the procedures you need to follow in instructing the holder of record how to vote your street name common shares and how to revoke previously given instructions. If you hold your common shares in street name, you may be eligible to appoint your proxy electronically via the Internet or telephonically and may incur costs associated with the electronic access or telephone usage.

### How will my common shares be voted?

Those common shares represented by a properly executed proxy card that is received prior to the Meeting and not subsequently revoked will be voted as you direct. If you submit a valid proxy card prior to the Meeting but do not complete the voting instructions on the proxy card, to the extent permitted by applicable law, your proxy will vote your common shares as recommended by the Board of Directors, as follows:

**FOR** the election of each of the director nominees listed below under **PROPOSAL 1 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS;**

**FOR** the ratification of S.R. Snodgrass, A.C. as the independent registered public accounting firm for CSB Bancorp, Inc. for the year 2010 under **PROPOSAL 2 RATIFICATION AND APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM.**

**No appraisal or dissenters' rights exist for any action proposed to be taken at the Annual Meeting.**

If any other matters are properly presented for voting at the Meeting, the persons named as proxies on the accompanying proxy card will vote on those matters, to the extent permitted by applicable law, in accordance with their best judgment.

**May I revoke my proxy?**

Yes. You may change your mind after you send in your proxy card by following any one of the following three procedures. To revoke your proxy:

Send in another signed proxy card with a later date, which must be received by CSB prior to the Annual Meeting;

Send written notice revoking your proxy to Ms. Peggy L. Conn, Corporate Secretary, CSB Bancorp, Inc., 91 North Clay Street, Millersburg, Ohio 44654, which must be received prior to the Annual Meeting; or

Attend the Meeting and revoke your proxy in person if your common shares are held in your name. If your common shares are held in the name of your broker, your financial institution or another holder of record and you wish to revoke your proxy in person, you must bring an account statement or letter from the broker, financial institution or other holder of record indicating that you were the beneficial owner of the common shares on March 1, 2010, the record date for voting.

The last-dated proxy you submit (by any means) will supersede any previously submitted proxy.

***Attendance at the Annual Meeting will not, by itself, revoke your proxy.***

**What constitutes a quorum and what vote is required with respect to the proposals presented at the Annual Meeting?**

Under CSB's Regulations, a quorum is a majority of the voting shares of CSB then outstanding and entitled to vote at the Meeting. The common shares are the only shares of CSB's capital stock entitled to vote at the Meeting. Common shares may be present in person or represented by proxy at the Meeting. Both abstentions and broker non-votes are counted as being present for purposes of determining the presence of a quorum. There were 2,734,799 common shares outstanding and entitled to vote on March 1, 2010, the record date. A majority of the outstanding common shares, or 1,367,400 common shares, present in person or represented by proxy, will constitute a quorum. A quorum must exist to conduct business at the Meeting. Prior to January 1, 2010, broker non-votes were counted for purposes of determining the presence or absence of a quorum and for routine matters including the election of directors. Brokers who hold their customers' shares in street name submit proxies for shares on some matters, but not others. Generally, this occurs when brokers have not received any instructions from their customers. In these cases, the brokers, as the holders of record are permitted to vote on routine matters, which typically include the ratification of the independent registered public accounting firm, but not on non-routine matters. Effective January 1, 2010, brokers are no longer permitted to vote on the election of directors without instructions from their customers.

### **Election of Directors**

Under Ohio law and CSB's Regulations, the two nominees for election as CSB directors receiving the most votes **FOR** election will be elected as directors in the class whose terms will expire at the 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Common shares as to which the authority to vote is withheld will be counted for quorum purposes but will not affect whether a nominee has received sufficient votes to be elected.

### **Why the proposal to ratify the appointment of the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm?**

The Audit Committee has again selected S. R. Snodgrass, A.C., an independent registered public accounting firm as CSB's independent public accounting firm for 2010. S.R. Snodgrass, A.C. has served as CSB's accountant since 2005. Although not required, shareholders are being asked to ratify the appointment of S.R. Snodgrass, A.C. for CSB for the year 2010. Representatives of S.R. Snodgrass, A.C. will be present at the annual meeting and will have an opportunity to make a statement if they desire to do so and will be available to respond to appropriate questions.

### **What is the recommendation of CSB's Board of Directors?**

CSB's Board of Directors recommends that each shareholder vote **FOR** nominees for directors and **FOR** the ratification of the appointment of S.R. Snodgrass, A.C. as the independent registered public accounting firm for CSB Bancorp, Inc. for the year 2010.

### **Who pays the cost of proxy solicitation?**

CSB will pay the costs of preparing, assembling, printing and mailing this proxy statement, the accompanying proxy card, the 2009 Annual Report and other related materials and all other costs incurred in connection with the solicitation of proxies on behalf of the Board of Directors. Although we are soliciting proxies by mailing these proxy materials to holders of our common shares, the directors, officers and employees of CSB and our subsidiaries also may solicit proxies by further mailing, personal contact, telephone, facsimile or electronic mail without receiving any additional compensation for such solicitations.

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE SHAREHOLDER MEETING TO BE HELD ON APRIL 21, 2010**

The Proxy Statement, Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, and the 2009 Annual Report to shareholders are available at <http://www.csb1.com/Investor Relations>.

### **SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT**

Shareholders of record as of the close of business on March 1, 2010, (the Record Date), are entitled to (i) notice of the Meeting and (ii) one vote on each matter to be considered at the Meeting for each Common Share held on that date. As of the Record Date, there were 2,734,799 Common Shares issued and outstanding. The presence at the Meeting in person or by proxy of at least a majority of such shares will be required to constitute a quorum at the Meeting. Common Shares held by holders who abstain from voting and all Common Shares held by brokers who do not have the discretionary authority to vote on certain matters will be included in determining the presence of a quorum. Consequently, an abstention or a broker non-vote has the same effect as a vote against a proposal or director nominee, as each abstention or broker non-vote would be one less vote in favor of a proposal or for a director nominee. Shareholders will not be entitled to dissenter's rights with respect to any matter to be considered at the Meeting.



**BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

The following table sets forth, as of the Record Date, (i) the Common Shares beneficially owned by each director, nominee for director and named executive officer of CSB or any person who has acted in such capacity since the beginning of the last fiscal year of CSB and (ii) the Common Shares beneficially owned by all current executive officers and directors as a group.

**Number of Common Shares<sup>1</sup>**

| Name of<br>Beneficial Owner   | Number of Common Shares <sup>1</sup> |             |             | Shares of<br>Common<br>Stock | Percent<br>of<br>Class |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
|   | Sole                                 | Shared      | Options     | Beneficially<br>Owned        |                        |
| Robert K. Baker   | 7,530.0000                           | 2,855.4136  |             | 10,385.4136                  | *                      |
| Ronald E. Holtman   | 1,800.0000                           | 500.0000    |             | 2,300.0000                   | *                      |
| J. Thomas Lang  | 1,305.0000                           | 5,853.1468  |             | 7,158.1468                   | *                      |
| Daniel J. Miller  | 31,562.1910                          | 16,573.0000 |             | 48,135.1910                  | 1.73%                  |
| Jeffery A. Robb, Sr.  | 4,426.2856                           |             |             | 4,426.2856                   | *                      |
| Eddie L. Steiner  | 19,343.0000                          | 1,312.4265  |             | 20,655.4265                  | *                      |
| John R. Waltman   | 15,740.0000                          | 397.1479    |             | 16,137.1479                  | *                      |
| Rick L. Ginther   |                                      | 3,777.8553  | 1,000.0000  | 4,777.8553                   | *                      |
| Paul D. Greig   | 372.8510                             | 2,314.0000  | 12,904.0000 | 15,590.8510                  | *                      |
| Paula J. Meiler   | 7,660.0890                           | 100.0000    | 18,856.0000 | 26,616.0890                  | *                      |
| Total of Directors and<br>Executive Officers as a<br>Group (12 persons) | 92,638.5436                          | 34,562.6307 | 33,560.0000 | 160,761.1743                 | 5.79%                  |

<sup>1</sup> The amounts shown represent the total outstanding Common Shares beneficially owned by the individuals and the Common Shares issuable upon the exercise of stock options exercisable

within the next  
sixty days from  
March 1, 2010.

\* Indicates less  
than 1%  
beneficial  
ownership of  
the total of  
Common Shares  
outstanding as  
of March 1,  
2010 plus the  
number of  
Common Shares  
issuable upon  
the exercise of  
outstanding  
options for the  
person or  
persons  
indicated. None  
of the shares  
reported are  
pledged as  
security.

**SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE**

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 requires CSB's officers, directors and persons who own more than ten percent of a registered class of CSB's equity securities to file reports of ownership and changes in ownership with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Officers, directors and greater than ten percent shareholders are required to furnish CSB with copies of all Section 16(a) forms they file. During 2009, based solely on CSB's review of the copies of such forms received by it and by statements of officers and directors that they complied with all applicable filing requirements, CSB's officers, directors and greater than ten percent beneficial owners have complied with all filing requirements applicable to them.

**ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

CSB's Code of Regulations provide that its business shall be managed by a board of directors of not less than three and not more than twenty-five persons. CSB's Regulations divide such directors into three classes, as nearly equal in number as possible, and set their terms at three years. The Board of Directors, pursuant to CSB's Code of Regulations, has established the number of directors at seven (7).

Assuming that at least a majority of the issued and outstanding Common Shares are present at the Meeting so that a quorum exists, the two nominees for director of CSB receiving the most votes will be elected as directors.

Shareholders have the right to vote cumulatively in the election of directors. In order to exercise the right to vote cumulatively, a shareholder must give written notice to the President, a Vice President or the Secretary of CSB not less than forty-eight hours before the time fixed for the Meeting, and the shareholder's demand for cumulative voting must be announced at the commencement of the Meeting by or on behalf of the shareholder. If cumulative voting is elected, a shareholder may cast as many votes in an election of directors as the number of directors to be elected multiplied by the number of shares held. The Board of Directors has nominated Jeffery A. Robb, Sr. and John R. Waltman to serve until the 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, and until their respective successors are elected and qualified. Mr. Robb and Mr. Waltman are incumbent directors whose present terms expire at the Meeting.

If it is intended that Common Shares represented by the accompanying form of proxy will be voted for the election of nominees, please so indicate on the proxy card. (If you do not wish your shares to be voted for particular nominees, please so indicate on the proxy card.) If one or more of the nominees should, at the time of the Meeting, be unavailable or unable to serve as a director, the shares represented by the proxies will be voted to elect the remaining nominees and any substitute nominees designated by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors knows of no reason why any of the nominees will be unavailable or unable to serve. At this time, it is not known whether there will be cumulative voting for the election of directors at the Meeting. If any shareholder properly demands cumulative voting for the election of directors at the Meeting, your proxy will give the individuals named on the proxy full discretion and authority to vote cumulatively and in their sole discretion to allocate votes among any or all of the nominees, unless authority to vote for any or all of the nominees is withheld.

**The Board of Directors recommends that shareholders vote FOR the election of the nominees.**

The following information, as of February 18, 2010, with respect to the age, principal occupation or employment, other affiliations and business experience during the last five years of each director and director nominee, has been furnished to CSB by each director. In addition, the following information provides the Nominating Committee's evaluation regarding re-nomination of each of the director nominees and the key attributes, skills, and qualifications presented by each director nominee. Each nominee, if elected, will serve for a term expiring at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders in 2013.

**NOMINEES FOR DIRECTOR  
(Term Expiring in 2013)**

**Jeffery A. Robb, Age 60**

Mr. Robb has served as a director of CSB since 2001 and is a member of the Audit and Executive Committees. The Company has designated Mr. Robb as an audit committee financial expert. Mr. Robb is currently President of Robb Companies, Inc. located in Hebron, Ohio, a privately owned firm. He is a licensed auctioneer in the State of Ohio. Mr. Robb, who maintains an inactive certified public accounting license in the state of Ohio, is a former director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland and former executive director of the Community Bankers Association of Ohio. Mr. Robb is the retired president and CEO of Proctor, Robb and Company, CPA an accounting firm that specialized in the banking and thrift industry. The Nominating Committee believes that the attributes, skills and qualifications Mr. Robb has developed through his educational background in accounting and his professional experiences as an executive officer, director and bank service provider allow him to provide continued financial and bank specific expertise to the Board of Directors and has nominated him for re-election.

**John R. Waltman, Age 68**

Mr. Waltman has served as a director of CSB since 2001; Chairman of the Board of CSB since 2007 and is the Chairman of the Executive Committee. Mr. Waltman serves of counsel to the law firm Critchfield, Critchfield and Johnston Ltd., Millersburg, Ohio and also serves as a Trustee of the Holmes County Education Foundation, a 501(c) 3 non-profit foundation. The Nominating Committee believes that the attributes, skills and qualifications Mr. Waltman has developed through his education and experiences in the legal field generally and in the northcentral Ohio business market, his leadership role in a philanthropic foundation, as well as his knowledge and experience as a director of CSB, allow him to provide continued legal and local business expertise to the Board of Directors and has nominated him for re-election.

**INCUMBENT DIRECTORS WHO ARE NOT NOMINEES FOR ELECTION**

**Ronald E. Holtman, Age 67**

Mr. Holtman has served as a director of CSB since 2001; is Chairman of the Audit Committee and is a member of the Executive and Nominating Committees. He is a practicing attorney and a partner in the law firm of Logee, Hostetler, Stutzman & Lehman, located in Wooster, Ohio. Mr. Holtman serves as a director of the Western Reserve Group, a mutual insurance company, located in Wooster, Ohio. He is also a Trustee of Wayne County Community Foundation and East Ohio United Methodist Foundation. Mr. Holtman served as a Judge Advocate in the United States Air Force and upon entering private practice has specialized in advising small businesses and individuals in the areas of real estate, commercial matters, tax and business planning, estate planning, probate of estates and banking matters. Mr. Holtman's education and experiences in the legal field, generally and in the northcentral Ohio business markets, and his experience as a director of CSB, allow him to provide continued local business and real estate expertise to the Board of Directors. His current term will expire in 2012.

**Dr. Daniel J. Miller, Age 70**

Dr. Miller has served as a director of CSB since 1979 and is a member of the Executive Committee. He is a retired physician and currently is Chairman of the Board of Dutchman Hospitality Group, Inc. a private company managing restaurants and hotels, based in Walnut Creek, Ohio. Dr. Miller served as Chairman of the Board of CSB from 1995 through 1999. Previously, Dr. Miller served as a practicing physician with East Holmes Family Care, Inc. Dr. Miller's education and leadership experiences in private business, his knowledge of the local community, as well as his experience as a director of CSB, allow him to provide continued regional business expertise to the Board of Directors. His current term will expire in 2012.

**Eddie L. Steiner, Age 54**

Mr. Steiner has served as a director of CSB since 2001 and Chief Executive Officer of CSB since 2006, Chairman of the Bank since 2006 and is a member of the Executive Committee. Mr. Steiner serves as a director and Chairman of the Audit Committee of the Western Reserve Group, a mutual insurance company, located in Wooster, Ohio. Prior to joining CSB, Mr. Steiner was previously employed by Smith Dairy Products Company, a private regional dairy processor, located in Orrville, Ohio, from 1990 through 2006, serving in various capacities as Vice President of Production, Production Coordinator and Personnel Director. Mr. Steiner is a licensed certified public accountant in the state of Ohio and began his professional career as a staff accountant with Ernst and Whinney in Akron, Ohio. Mr. Steiner graduated from the ABA Stonier Graduate School of Banking in 2008. Mr. Steiner's past CSB Committee memberships include Chairman of the Audit Committee from 2003-2006, during which time he was designated as an audit committee financial expert. Mr. Steiner's education and experiences in the banking and financial services industries as well as his business leadership experiences and skills, allow him to provide continued business and leadership insight to the Board of Directors. His current term will expire in 2012.

**Robert K. Baker, Age 55**

Mr. Baker has served as a director of CSB since 2001, is Chairman of the Compensation and Nomination Committees and is a member of Audit Committee. The Company has designated Mr. Baker as an audit committee financial expert. Mr. Baker is Assistant Secretary/Treasurer and Controller of Bakerwell, Inc. a privately owned gas and oil company, since 1983. Mr. Baker who maintains an inactive certified public accounting license in the State of Ohio began his professional career as a staff accountant at Ernst and Whinney in Youngstown, Ohio. Mr. Baker served as Chairman of the Board of CSB from 2002 through 2006. Mr. Baker's education and business ownership experiences in the northcentral Ohio business market and his knowledge and experience as a director of CSB, allow him to provide continued financial and regional business expertise to the Board of Directors. His current term will expire in 2011.

**J. Thomas Lang, Age 66**

Mr. Lang has served as a director of CSB since 1993 and is a member of the Compensation, Executive and Nominating Committees. Mr. Lang is a veterinarian and dairy farmer and is a co-owner and operator of Spring Hill Farm Inc. Mr. Lang's education and agricultural ownership experiences in the local business market as well as his knowledge and experience as a director of CSB, allow him to provide continued regional agricultural business and leadership expertise to the Board of Directors. His current term will expire in 2011.

The following table sets forth information concerning the current executive officers of CSB. Included in the table is information regarding each person's principal occupation or employment during the past five years.

**EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

| <b>Name</b>     | <b>Age</b> | <b>Principal Occupation<sup>2</sup></b> | <b>Positions Held With CSB</b>   | <b>Year First Appointed Officer</b> | <b>Current Term to Expire</b> |
|-----------------|------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Rick L. Ginther | 59         | Banker                                  | Senior Vice President; Director, President and Chief Executive Officer of The Commercial and Savings Bank; formerly, Senior Vice President and Chief Lending Officer (2003-2006) | 2003                                | N/A                           |
| Paul D. Greig   | 64         | Banker                                  | Senior Vice President and Chief Operations/Information Officer   | 2003                                | N/A                           |
| Paula J. Meiler | 55         | Banker                                  | Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer  | 2004                                | N/A                           |

<sup>2</sup> Unless otherwise noted herein, each of the Officers has been engaged in the occupations and employment described above for the past five years.

**Membership and Meetings of the Board and its Committees**

In 2009, each director attended more than seventy-five percent of the total number of meetings of the board and the committees on which they serve. In addition, all board members are expected to attend the annual meetings of shareholders, and all attended the 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Current committee membership and the number of meetings of the full board and each committee in 2009 are shown in the table below.

| <b>Name</b> | <b>CSB<br/>Bancorp,<br/>Inc. Board</b> | <b>Subsidiary<br/>Bank<br/>Board</b> | <b>Executive</b> | <b>Nominating<br/>Chair</b> | <b>Compensation<br/>Chair</b> | <b>Audit<br/>Member</b> |
|-------------|--|--------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Mr. Baker   | Member                                 | Member                               |                  | Chair                       | Chair                         | Member                  |
| Mr. Holtman | Member                                 | Member                               |                  | Member                      | Member                        | Chair                   |
| Mr. Lang    | Member                                 | Member                               | Member           | Member                      | Member                        |                         |
| Dr. Miller  | Member                                 | Member                               | Member           |                             |                               |                         |
| Mr. Robb    | Member                                 | Member                               | Member           |                             |                               | Member                  |
| Mr. Steiner | Member                                 | Chair                                | Member           |                             |                               |                         |
| Mr. Waltman | Chair                                  | Member                               | Chair            |                             |                               |                         |
| Mr. Ginther |  | Member                               | Member           |                             |                               |                         |

|                         |    |    |    |   |   |    |
|-------------------------|----|----|----|---|---|----|
| Number of 2009 meetings | 12 | 12 | 23 | 2 | 2 | 12 |
|-------------------------|----|----|----|---|---|----|

The following board members are considered Independent as defined under NASDAQ Rule 5605: Mr. Baker, Mr. Holtman, Mr. Lang, Dr. Miller, Mr. Robb, and Mr. Waltman.

**Board Leadership**

Since his appointment as President and CEO in 2006, Eddie L. Steiner has also served as Chairman of the Board of the wholly owned subsidiary, The Commercial & Savings Bank. John R. Waltman is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of CSB. The Board of Directors believes Mr. Steiner's role is to identify CSB's strategic priorities and lead Board discussions on the execution of Company strategy. The Board of Directors believes that the separation of the CEO and board chair positions within its leadership structure appropriately balances the promotion of CSB's strategic development with the Board's management oversight function. The Board of Directors also believes that its leadership structure has created an environment of open, efficient communication between the Board and management, enabling the Board to maintain an active, informed role in risk management by being able to monitor and manage those matters that may present significant risks to CSB.

**Directors Compensation**

Each director of CSB also serves as a director of the Bank. Outside directors of the Bank are compensated for board and committee meetings. Directors receive no compensation from CSB. Directors who are employees receive no additional compensation for serving on the board or its committees. In 2009, we provided the following annual compensation to directors who are not employees:

**Cash Compensation**

The Bank provides directors the following cash compensation:

Retainer of \$10,000 per year, paid quarterly

\$500 for each board and committee meeting attended

Reimbursement for customary and usual travel expenses (outside of board and committee meeting attendance)

| Name        | Fees<br>Earned<br><br>Or<br>Paid in<br>Cash<br>(\$) | Stock<br>Awards<br>(\$) | Option<br>Awards<br>(\$) | Non-Equity<br>Incentive<br>Plan<br>Compensation<br>(\$) | Change in<br>Pension<br>Value and<br>Nonqualified<br>Deferred<br>Compensation<br>Earnings | All Other<br>Compensation<br>(\$) <sup>3</sup> | Total<br>(\$) |
|-------------|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|---|---|--|---------------|
|             |   |                         |                          |   |   |  |               |
| Mr. Baker   | \$29,000  |                         |                          |   |   | 1,298  | \$30,298      |
| Mr. Holtman | 29,500  |                         |                          |   |   |  | 29,500        |
| Mr. Lang    | 29,000  |                         |                          |   |   |  | 29,000        |
| Dr. Miller  | 33,000  |                         |                          |   |   |  | 33,000        |
| Mr. Robb    | 33,500  |                         |                          |   |   | 3,306  | 36,806        |
| Mr. Waltman | 34,500  |                         |                          |   |   | 170  | 34,670        |

No director stock awards or options were granted in 2009.

**Committees of the Board of Directors**

CSB has a Nominating Committee, which recommends to the board the nominees for election as directors. The Nominating Committee currently consists of Robert K. Baker, Ronald E. Holtman, and J. Thomas Lang. The Nominating Committee will consider candidates for nomination as a director who are recommended by shareholders, directors and other sources. Under the terms of the Nominating Committee Charter, the Committee is responsible for developing and implementing a process and guidelines for the selection of individuals for nomination to the Board of Directors and considering incumbent directors for nomination and re-election.

In considering and evaluating potential candidates for positions on the CSB Board of Directors, and consistent with its Charter, the Nominating Committee considers, among other things, the potential candidates' knowledge of the communities in which CSB and the Bank operate; their experience and any special business, financial, or other expertise; their reputation for honesty and integrity; and their ability to provide independent and objective oversight and supervision for matters which may impact CSB and the Bank. The Nominating Committee also considers applicable requirements of the CSB Code of Regulations and requirements of applicable law and regulations with respect to evaluating potential candidates, as well as other matters which the Nominating Committee deems appropriate in light of the specific circumstances and the potential candidate. To that end, the Nominating Committee may conduct



3 All Other Compensation includes Mr. Robb participating in a grandfathered health benefits program. Mr. Robb ended his participation in the health benefits program effective September 30, 2009. The Bank also provides a 1% reduction of the standard interest rate charged on certain consumer and primary residence mortgage loans to all directors, officers and employees during the period of service to CSB or the Bank.

its own analysis and may also seek information from a variety of outside sources in order to ascertain whether a potential candidate meets the referenced criteria.

The Nominating Committee utilizes the same standards and criteria in considering and evaluating potential candidates for positions on the CSB Board of Directors who are recommended by CSB shareholders, when appropriate. The Nominating Committee currently does not have a diversity statement within its Charter. The members of the Nominating Committee are independent, as defined by rules adopted by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., through its subsidiary The Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. (NASDAQ). The Nominating Committee operates under a written charter, which is reviewed annually by the Committee and the Board and is available on the Company's website at [www.csb1.com](http://www.csb1.com)

The Compensation Committee was appointed to establish policies and levels of appropriate compensation for directors, officers and employees of CSB. The Compensation Committee currently consists of Robert K. Baker, Ronald E. Holtman, and J. Thomas Lang. The members are considered independent for purposes of the NASDAQ listing requirements. The Compensation Committee operates under a written charter, which is reviewed annually by the Committee and the Board and is available on the Company's website at [www.csb1.com](http://www.csb1.com). Additional discussion of the Compensation Committee's role is set forth in the Compensation Discussion and Analysis section of this Proxy Statement.

The Audit Committee assists the Board of Directors in fulfilling its responsibility to oversee the accounting and financial reporting processes of the Company. The Audit Committee members are Ronald E. Holtman, Robert K. Baker, and Jeffery A. Robb, Sr. All of the members of the Audit Committee are independent directors, as defined by the NASDAQ listing standards. Among other things, the Audit Committee is responsible for the engagement of independent auditors, reviewing with the independent auditors the plans and results of the audit, and reviewing the adequacy of internal accounting controls. The Board of Directors has determined that Messrs. Baker and Robb meet the requirements of an audit committee financial expert as defined by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Mr. Baker acquired these attributes through education and his experience as a certified public accountant and as a Controller within private industry. Mr. Robb acquired these attributes through education and his experience in the banking industry and as a certified public accountant. The Audit Committee operates under a written charter, which is reviewed annually by the Committee and the Board and is available on the Company's website at [www.csb1.com](http://www.csb1.com). The charter is incorporated herein by reference.

The Executive Committee meets throughout the year to monitor the lending activities of the Bank and help ensure that such activities are conducted in a manner consistent with CSB's credit policy. As credit risk represents the major risk component within the Bank, the Executive Committee oversees management's implementation and enforcement of CSB's risk management framework. The Executive Committee consists of J. Thomas Lang, Daniel J. Miller, Jeffery A. Robb, Sr., Eddie L. Steiner, Rick L. Ginther, and John R. Waltman.

## **COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

The following discusses the material factors involved in the Company's decisions regarding the compensation of the Named Executive Officers (the NEOs) as defined on page 17 during 2009.

The specific amounts paid or payable to the NEOs are disclosed in the tables and narrative beginning on page 17. The following discussion cross-references those specific tabular and narrative disclosures where appropriate.

### **Compensation Overview**

#### **Compensation Philosophy and Objectives**

We believe that, in order to manage and grow a well-run financial services organization, it is necessary to establish compensation programs and related opportunities that are attractive, motivating and rewarding to high quality executives, managers and staff. These programs and opportunities must be balanced with their cost to CSB and its shareholders. In order to arrive at the appropriate balance, CSB has established the following compensation philosophy and guidelines for its overall compensation program:

1. In order to attract and retain highly qualified management, we strive to provide target base salaries close to the mean of the market rate paid for comparable positions by similarly sized bank holding companies.
2. Where practical, we establish performance-based compensation focused on individual results, team results, and contributions to CSB's overall performance.
3. We attempt to link and align the wealth creation interests of management and shareholders by utilizing CSB stock awards or options as a component of the compensation program.

#### **Components of Executive Compensation**

Total compensation for executives is comprised of base salaries, annual cash incentive awards, long-term equity awards, retirement saving plan contributions, severance protection, and other benefits and perquisites. To determine compensation levels for the NEOs and other officers, we review compensation survey data from independent sources to ensure that our total compensation program is competitive. We look at compensation data from companies in the financial services industry by using publicly available peer company disclosures. We target overall compensation levels competitive with our industry comparison peer group. The various components of executive compensation reflect the following policies:

##### **Base Salary**

The purpose of the base salary program is to pay for the qualifications, experience, and marketability of the position consistent with market practices. A pay range for each position is anchored around the mean of the labor market. Individual pay within the range is determined by individual performance, job proficiency and contributions over a period of years.

Pay adjustments are tied directly to CSB's performance appraisal process, which evaluates the employee on a series of performance criteria. This process is used for all CSB employees including the NEOs. Pay adjustments are typically made annually. In addition to these performance-based base pay adjustments, it is periodically necessary to make additional market adjustments in those instances where market base salary levels move faster than anticipated or where additional duties and responsibilities are added to the job.

For 2009, the base salary levels for all CSB NEOs are at or below the median of base salaries of peers in other similar-sized financial organizations. In 2009, an overall budget of 2.0% for base salary increases was established and base pay increases ranging from 0% to 1.86% were provided to the NEOs.

The amount of an NEO's base salary is the reference point for much of the other compensation. For example, the relative ranges of potential annual incentive awards for executives are fairly proportionate to the NEO's respective base salaries. In addition, base salary is one component of the contribution formula under the Company's 401(k) and profit sharing plan and the key component in the Company's severance and change in control agreements.

#### **Annual Incentive**

The purpose of the annual incentive program is to focus executives on achieving and possibly exceeding the Company's annual performance objectives. In 2009, the performance expectations were established around performance to current year budget, the attainment of specific performance ratios, and satisfactory compliance with regulatory and audit reviews.

Each component of the annual incentive program has a separate measurement. The Compensation Committee retains the flexibility to make discretionary adjustments up or down based on performance that may be subjective. This discretion is not used to change the targets under the plan, only the rewards.

The target annual incentive opportunity during the past fiscal year was 30% of actual base salary for each NEO. For 2009, the Company's target budget was \$3.7 million, target return on assets (ROA) was 0.89%, target return on equity (ROE) was greater than 8% and the target efficiency ratio was less than 69%.

#### **Long-Term Incentive**

The purpose of CSB's long-term incentive plan is to align the interests of the NEOs and other executives with the shareholders by providing them the opportunity to benefit from share price increases in the future through share option grants or awards under the 2002 CSB Bancorp, Inc. Share Equity Incentive Plan.

In 2009, the CSB Compensation Committee took into consideration the market pay practices of CSB peers, the performance of CSB, a general assessment of the contributions of the individual NEOs, the available shares, and the projected grant values in making its recommendations. The Committee also sought input from the Chief Executive Officer on his views of grants for the NEOs.

Finally, the accounting and tax treatment of stock options is different from cash-based payments. For awards under the plan, CSB accrues an expense computed using the Black-Scholes valuation model on the date of grant pro-ratably over the vesting period. A stock option award of 1,000 shares was extended in 2009 at current market value to Ms. Meiler.

#### **Retirement and Other Post-Employment Benefits**

CSB maintains The Commercial & Savings Bank 401(k) Retirement Plan, (the Plan), a qualified 401(k) and profit sharing plan. The Plan provides a 50% match on the first 4% of cash compensation taking into account qualified compensation. There is also a discretionary profit sharing contribution and the amount may vary directly with CSB profits. The Plan provides investment alternatives in the following categories: CSB stock, large, small and mid cap, indexed, growth and bond funds.

**Other Benefits and Perquisites**

While the value of benefits including health and welfare, retirement, disability, and vacation benefits are not required to be reported in the tables that follow, these benefits are important to a comprehensive view of the CSB compensation and benefit program. All CSB employees, including the NEOs are eligible to participate in the same comprehensive benefit program, which is intended to provide financial protection to employees based on health and retirement needs as well as providing for well-deserved time off. CSB also provides a disability program to all employees including NEOs. Because financial services is a relationship-driven business, CSB pays country club dues for Mr. Ginther at a local country club to provide a facility to entertain CSB clients, community leaders and members of the management staff for business purposes. Certain consumer and primary residence mortgage loans granted by the Bank to directors, officers and all employees receive a 1% reduction to the standard loan interest rate during the period of service to CSB or the Bank.

**Termination and Change in Control Terms**

The Company has employment agreements with Messrs. Ginther and Greig and Ms. Meiler. The employment agreements provide both CSB and the executives a mutual understanding of performance expectations, pay, opportunities and employment terms. The employment agreements discuss how disability and voluntary and involuntary terminations are handled. In addition, the employment agreements provide for severance payments in the event of employment termination following a change in control of the Company. The purpose of the change in control severance policy is to help participants seek to maximize the value of CSB's shares without concern about losing their job. The NEOs covered by these agreements and the maximum cost of these change in control payments at December 31, 2009 for each named executive is as follows:

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Mr. Ginther, President and CEO, The Commercial & Savings Bank | \$355,193 |
| Mr. Greig, Senior Vice President and COO/CIO                  | 266,293   |
| Ms. Meiler, Senior Vice President and CFO                     | 258,033   |

**Compensation Committee Decision-Making Process**

The Compensation Committee is comprised of three non-management Board members whose responsibilities are the establishment of the Company's overall compensation philosophy, the assessment of the design of CSB compensation and benefit programs, the monitoring of external market pay levels and practices, review and approval of incentive award opportunities, actual payments and grants, and review and recommendation for Board of Director approval related to proposed implementation or material changes to pay or benefit programs.

With the participation of the Company's management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer, the Compensation Committee evaluated a survey of its pay practices for both directors and NEOs. The list of primary peers utilized in 2009 is as follows:

|                                 |                      |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Central Federal Corporation     | Fairlawn, Ohio       |
| Cheviot Financial Corp.         | Cheviot, Ohio        |
| Commercial Bancshares, Inc.     | Upper Sandusky, Ohio |
| Consumers Bancorp, Inc.         | Minerva, Ohio        |
| Cortland Bancorp Inc.           | Cortland, Ohio       |
| Croghan Bancshares Inc.         | Fremont, Ohio        |
| DCB Financial Corp.             | Lewis Center, Ohio   |
| First Franklin Corporation      | Cincinnati, Ohio     |
| FFD Financial Corporation       | Dover, Ohio          |
| Killbuck Bancshares Inc.        | Killbuck, Ohio       |
| LCNB Corporation                | Lebanon, Ohio        |
| Middlefield Banc Corp.          | Middlefield, Ohio    |
| National Bancshares Corporation | Orrville, Ohio       |
| NB&T Financial Group, Inc.      | Wilmington, Ohio     |
| Ohio Legacy Corporation         | Wooster, Ohio        |
| Perpetual Federal Savings Bank  | Urbana, Ohio         |
| Rurban Financial Corp.          | Defiance, Ohio       |
| United Bancorp, Inc.            | Martins Ferry, Ohio  |
| United Bancshares, Inc.         | Columbus Grove, Ohio |
| Wayne Savings Bancshares, Inc.  | Wooster, Ohio        |

These financial services firms are all SEC reporting corporations ranging in size from approximately 42% of CSB's asset level to approximately 158% of CSB's asset level and are all located and doing business primarily in Ohio.

**Outside Executive Compensation Consultants**

Neither the Compensation Committee nor management engaged an outside executive compensation consultant in 2009.

**THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Compensation Committee has reviewed and discussed the foregoing Compensation Discussion and Analysis with CSB's management. Based on this review and discussion, the Compensation Committee has recommended to the Board of Directors that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in CSB's proxy statement and Annual Report on Form 10-K.

**THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE**

**Robert K. Baker, Chairman**

**Ronald E. Holtman**

**J. Thomas Lang**

**Executive Compensation and Other Information**

The following table shows information concerning the annual compensation paid or accrued for services to the Company in all capacities of the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and the other executive officers of the Company (collectively the NEOs) during the last completed year.

**Summary Compensation Table**

| Name and Principal Position   | Year | Salary    | Bonus    | Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Non-equity Deferred Incentive |               |                   | All Other Compensation | Total     |
|---|------|-----------|----------|--|---------------|-------------------|------------------------|-----------|
|   |      |           |          | Stock Awards   | Option Awards | Plan Compensation |                        |           |
| Eddie L. Steiner, President and CEO                                       | 2009 | \$174,000 | \$45,000 |  |               |                   | \$16,372               | \$235,372 |
|   | 2008 | 170,000   | 46,000   |  |               |                   | 16,237                 | 232,237   |
| Paula J. Meiler, Sr. VP and CFO   | 2009 | 121,200   | 33,936   | \$5,150  |               |                   | 18,405                 | 178,691   |
|   | 2008 | 117,500   | 35,250   | 7,500  |               |                   | 17,904                 | 178,154   |
| Rick L. Ginther, Sr. VP; President and CEO, The Commercial & Savings Bank | 2009 | 174,000   | 45,000   | 1,090  |               |                   | 21,864                 | 241,954   |
|   | 2008 | 170,000   | 46,000   |  |               |                   | 20,440                 | 236,440   |
| Paul D. Greig, Sr. VP and COO/CIO   | 2009 | 127,300   | 35,644   | 1,090  |               |                   | 8,225                  | 172,259   |
|   | 2008 | 123,600   | 37,080   | 7,500  |               |                   | 8,169                  | 176,349   |

<sup>4</sup> The option awards include amounts expensed in 2009 for stock option awards granted in 2006,

2008 and 2009.  
For assumptions  
related to the  
valuation of the  
stock options,  
see Note 9 to  
the Company's  
financial  
statements in  
the Company's  
Annual Report  
on Form 10-K.



## Other Compensation Table

| Name             | Year | Life      | Disability | Qualified Plan | Perquisites | Total    |
|------------------|------|-----------|------------|----------------|-------------|----------|
|                  |      | Insurance | Insurance  | Matching,      | and         |          |
|                  |      | Premiums  | Premiums   | Profit Sharing | Other       |          |
|                  |      |           |            | Contribution   | Benefits    |          |
| Eddie L. Steiner | 2009 | \$ 360    | \$ 580     | \$ 9,900       | \$ 5,532    | \$16,372 |
|                  | 2008 | 470       | 536        | 10,023         | 5,208       | 16,237   |
| Paula J. Meiler  | 2009 | 360       | 450        | 7,040          | 10,555      | 18,405   |
|                  | 2008 | 470       | 424        | 6,959          | 10,051      | 17,904   |
| Rick L. Ginther  | 2009 | 360       | 580        | 9,900          | 11,024      | 21,864   |
|                  | 2008 | 470       | 536        | 10,023         | 9,411       | 20,440   |
| Paul D. Greig    | 2009 | 360       | 468        | 7,397          |             | 8,225    |
|                  | 2008 | 470       | 403        | 7,296          |             | 8,169    |

## Perquisites and Other Benefits

| Name             | Year | Health and | Country  | Loan Interest | Relocation | Total    |
|------------------|------|------------|----------|---------------|------------|----------|
|                  |      | Dental     | Club     | Reduction of  |            |          |
|                  |      | Benefits   | Dues     | 1%            | Expenses   |          |
| Eddie L. Steiner | 2009 | \$ 5,480   |          | \$ 52         |            | \$ 5,532 |
|                  | 2008 | 5,119      |          | 89            |            | 5,208    |
| Paula J. Meiler  | 2009 | 8,483      |          | 2,072         |            | 10,555   |
|                  | 2008 | 7,907      |          | 2,144         |            | 10,051   |
| Rick L. Ginther  | 2009 | 5,480      | \$ 5,544 |               |            | 11,024   |
|                  | 2008 | 5,119      | 4,292    |               |            | 9,411    |
| Paul D. Greig    | 2009 |            |          |               |            |          |
|                  | 2008 |            |          |               |            |          |

**Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year-end**

| Name             | Grant Date | Option Awards   |   |  | Option Exercise Price (\$) | Option Expiration Date | Stock Awards  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------|------------|---|---|--|----------------------------|------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|                  |            | Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Exercisable | Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Non-Exercisable | Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Unearned |                            |                        | Marked value of shares or units of stock that have not vested | Number of Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested | Number of Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested | Number of Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested | Number of Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested |  |  |
| Eddie L. Steiner |            |   |   |  |                            |                        |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Paula J. Meiler  | 11/29/2006 | 17,856  |   |  | \$ 18.00                   | 3/31/2016              |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                  | 8/9/2004   | 1,000   |   |  | \$ 15.00                   | 8/9/2014               |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rick L. Ginther  | 7/21/2003  | 1,000   |   |  | \$ 16.10                   | 7/21/2013              |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Paul D. Greig    | 11/29/2006 | 11,904  |   |  | \$ 18.00                   | 3/31/2016              |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                  | 6/30/2003  | 1,000   |   |  | \$ 16.10                   | 6/30/2013              |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Grants on Plan-Based Awards**

Information on 2009 Stock Option Grants, not through Plan-Based Awards, is included in the Outstanding Equity Awards Table at Fiscal Year-End.

**Option Exercises and Stock Vested**

There were no exercises of Stock Options by Named Executive Officers during 2009.

**Pension Benefits**

The Company does not maintain a qualified or non-qualified pension plan.

**Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation**

The Company does not maintain a non-qualified deferred compensation plan.



**Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control**

Certain of the Company's NEOs are party to employment agreements that provide for certain salary and benefits upon termination of employment under various scenarios. The agreements are all described more fully in the narrative and tables below.

The tables below set forth the benefits that could be paid to the NEO upon various termination events, which would only be known at the time that the benefits become payable. The tables reflect the multiples of base salary amounts that could be payable under the various arrangements if the event in question occurred as of December 31, 2009.

Upon a qualifying termination after a Change in Control, each NEO will also be entitled to immediate vesting of all stock options.

The NEO's employment agreements do not provide for any additional payments or benefits for death, disability, voluntary termination of employment by the executive or involuntary termination by the Company for cause. Under those scenarios, the Named Executive Officers are only entitled to their accrued and unpaid obligations, such as salary and unused vacation. The following tables contain common information about the Company's employment agreements and benefit plans.

**Potential Payments Change in Control**

| <b>Name</b>                                       | <b>Change in Control - Multiple Base Salary</b> | <b>Post-Termination Health Care</b> |
|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| Rick L. Ginther                                   | 2.0   | 1 Year                              |
| Paula J. Meiler                                   | 2.0   | 1 Year                              |
| Paul D. Greig                                     | 2.0   | 1 Year                              |
| Potential Payments Upon Termination Without Cause |   |                                     |

| <b>Name</b>     | <b>Termination-Without Cause</b>              | <b>Post-Termination Health Care</b> |
|-----------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Rick L. Ginther | Base Salary Unpaid under agreement + 6 Months | 6 Months                            |
| Paula J. Meiler | Base Salary Unpaid under agreement + 6 Months | 6 Months                            |
| Paul D. Greig   | Base Salary Unpaid under agreement + 6 Months | 6 Months                            |

### **Employment Contracts and Other Arrangements**

This section discusses the employment contracts and severance agreements in place for Named Executive Officers.

*Rick L. Ginther, President and Chief Executive Officer, The Commercial and Savings Bank*

An employment agreement dated July 21, 2003, was entered into with Rick L. Ginther providing, among other things, for employment of Mr. Ginther as Senior Vice President and Chief Loan Officer of the Bank pursuant to the terms of the agreement. Mr. Ginther was promoted on April 19, 2006, to President and Chief Executive Officer of The Commercial and Savings Bank. The agreement is for a two-year term with annual renewals commencing at the first anniversary, and provides for compensation to Mr. Ginther consisting of an annual base salary of \$120,000, a bonus to be paid at the discretion of the Board of Directors, vacation, benefits, and certain stock options. In the event that Mr. Ginther's employment is terminated without cause (as defined in the agreement), the agreement entitles him to a severance payment equal to the unpaid amount otherwise due under the agreement plus six months of the base salary in effect on the date of termination and limited continued benefits for a six month period. The agreement also contains a non-compete provision, prohibiting Mr. Ginther from competing under terms defined by the agreement for a period of one year following the date of termination of the agreement, as well as a change in control provision which provides Mr. Ginther with certain benefits, including continuation of compensation, stock options, and certain health benefits for stated periods following a change in control as defined therein and termination of employment within a 90-day period before or after such change in control. Such change in control benefits are subject to being reduced so that no excess parachute payment (as defined in Section 280G(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; the IRS Code ) is received by Mr. Ginther.

*Paul D. Greig, Senior Vice President, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Information Officer*

An employment agreement dated June 30, 2003, was entered into with Paul D. Greig providing, among other things, for employment of Mr. Greig as Senior Vice President, Chief Operations Officer and Chief Information Officer of the Bank pursuant to the terms of the agreement. The agreement is for a two-year term with annual renewals commencing at the first anniversary, and provides for compensation to Mr. Greig consisting of an annual base salary of \$100,000, a bonus to be paid at the discretion of the Board of Directors, vacation, benefits, and certain stock options. In the event that Mr. Greig's employment is terminated without cause (as defined in the agreement), the agreement entitles him to a severance payment equal to the unpaid amount otherwise due under the agreement plus six months of the base salary in effect on the date of termination and limited continued benefits for a six month period. The agreement also contains a non-compete provision, prohibiting Mr. Greig from competing under terms defined by the agreement for a period of one year following the date of termination of the agreement, as well as a change in control provision which provides Mr. Greig with certain benefits, including continuation of compensation, stock options, and certain health benefits for stated periods following a change in control as defined therein and termination of employment within a 90-day period before or after such change in control. Such change in control benefits are subject to being reduced so that no excess parachute payment (as defined in Section 280G(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; the IRS Code ) is received by Mr. Greig.

*Paula J. Meiler, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*

An employment agreement dated August 9, 2004, was entered into with Paula J. Meiler providing, among other things, for employment of Ms. Meiler as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of CSB and the Bank pursuant to the terms of the agreement. The agreement is for a two-year term with annual renewals commencing at the second anniversary, and provides for compensation to Ms. Meiler consisting of an annual base salary of \$100,000, a bonus to be paid at the discretion of the Board of Directors, vacation, benefits, relocation reimbursement up to a stated amount for a limited time, and certain stock options. On August 9, 2007, an amendment to the agreement provided that the agreement be for a two-year term with annual renewals commencing August 9, 2008. In the event that Ms. Meiler's employment is terminated without cause (as defined in the agreement), the agreement entitles her to a severance payment equal to the unpaid amount otherwise due under the agreement plus six months of the base salary in effect on the date of termination and limited continued benefits for a six month period. The agreement also contains a non-compete provision, prohibiting Ms. Meiler from competing under terms defined by the agreement for a period of one year following the date of termination of the agreement, as well as a change in control provision, which provides Ms. Meiler with certain benefits, including continuation of compensation, stock options, and certain health benefits for stated periods following a change in control as defined therein and termination of employment within a 90-day period before or after such change in control. Such change in control benefits are subject to being reduced so that no excess parachute payment (as defined in Section 280G(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; the IRS Code ) is received by Ms. Meiler.

### **REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The following Audit Committee Report is provided in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ( SEC ). The Audit Committee has reviewed and discussed the audited consolidated financial statements with management and the Board of Directors of CSB. Management of CSB is responsible for CSB s reporting process, including its system of internal control, and for the preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. CSB s auditors are responsible for auditing those financial statements. The Audit Committee s responsibility is to monitor and review these processes.

Mr. Robb and Mr. Baker are certified public accountants, and Mr. Holtman is an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Ohio. Mr. Robb and Mr. Baker have been designated as financial experts under Section 407 of Regulation S-K.

The Audit Committee has reviewed and discussed with S.R. Snodgrass A.C. ( S.R. Snodgrass ), CSB s independent REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM for the year ended December 31, 2009, the matters required to be discussed by Statement of Accounting Standards No. 61, as may be modified or supplemented. The Audit Committee also has received the written disclosures and the letter from the independent accountants, as required by the applicable requirements of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board regarding the independent accountant s communications with the audit committee concerning independence, and has discussed with S.R. Snodgrass its independence. Based on the forgoing discussions, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the audited consolidated financial statements be included in CSB s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year 2009 with the SEC.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

**Ronald E. Holtman, Chairman**

**Robert K. Baker**

**Jeffery A. Robb, Sr.**

**INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FEES**

The Audit Committee reviewed a report from the Company's independent registered public accounting firm, S.R. Snodgrass, A.C. (Snodgrass) and others regarding the aggregated fees received in the following categories in fiscal 2009 and 2008:

|                        | <b>2009</b> | <b>2008</b> |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Audit Fees (1)         | \$81,540    | \$69,890    |
| Audit-Related Fees (2) | 11,191      | 10,394      |
| Tax Fees (3)           | 9,775       | 8,000       |
| All Other Fees (4)     |             | 23,930      |

(1) Audit fees are fees for professional services rendered for the audit of the Company's annual financial statements, the review of financial statements included in Form 10-Q filings, and for services normally provided by the independent auditor in connection with statutory and regulatory filings or engagements.

(2) Audit-related fees generally include fees for the audit of the Company's employee benefit plan.

(3) Tax service fees consist of compliance fees for the



preparation of  
original tax  
returns.

- (4) All other fees in 2008 relate to the Form S-4 filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the acquisition of Indian Village Bancorp, Inc.

All of the above-mentioned services and fees were pre-approved by the Audit Committee.

Snodgrass acted as CSB's auditors for the 2009 fiscal year and will act in such capacity for the 2010 fiscal year.

During CSB's most recent fiscal year ended December 31, 2009 there were no disagreements with Snodgrass on any matter of accounting principals or practices, financial disclosure, or auditing scope or procedure.

One or more representatives of Snodgrass are expected to be present at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders and will have an opportunity to make a statement if they desire to do so and will be available to respond to appropriate questions.

**Audit Committee Procedures for Pre-Approval of Services by the Independent Public Accounting Firm:**

The Audit Committee will annually approve the scope of, and fees payable for, the year-end audit to be performed by CSB's independent accountants for the next fiscal year.

Management may not engage the independent accountants for any services unless the service contracts are approved by the Audit Committee in advance of the engagement.

If Management wishes to engage the independent accountants for any services, Management will define and present to the Audit Committee specific projects and categories of service, and fee estimates, for which the advance approval of the Audit Committee is required. The Audit Committee will review these requests and determine whether to pre-approve the engagement of the independent accountants for the specific projects and categories of service.

Management will report to the Audit Committee regarding the actual spending for these projects and services, compared to the approved amounts on a quarterly basis.

The Audit Committee Chairperson will report to the Committee at each regularly scheduled meeting the nature and amount of any non-audit services that the Chairperson has approved.

### **CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS**

CSB has engaged, and intends to continue to engage, in the lending of money through the Bank to various directors and officers of CSB and the Bank and their related interests. These loans were made in accordance with applicable law and regulation and in the ordinary course of business on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with other persons and did not involve more than a normal risk of collectibility or other unfavorable features.

In addition to those banking transactions conducted in the ordinary course, the following related transactions were conducted. Each of these transactions was made on terms similar to those that could have been negotiated with an unaffiliated third party.

CSB and the Bank hired Critchfield, Critchfield & Johnston, Ltd. and Heartland Title Agency from time to time during 2009 for legal services, title work and real estate closing services in connection with various matters arising in the ordinary course of the business of CSB and the Bank. John R. Waltman is of counsel of both Critchfield, Critchfield & Johnston, Ltd. and Heartland Title Agency. CSB and the Bank contemplate using both Critchfield, Critchfield & Johnston, Ltd. and Heartland Title Agency in the future on similar terms, as needed. In 2009, the law firm and title agency received fees of less than \$120,000 for the performance of services and such fees did not exceed 5% of the law firm or title agency's gross revenues.

CSB and the Bank hired Logee, Hostetler, Stutzman & Lehman from time to time during 2009 for legal services in connection with various matters arising in the ordinary course of the business of CSB and the Bank. Ronald E. Holtman is a partner of Logee, Hostetler, Stutzman & Lehman. CSB and the Bank contemplate using Logee, Hostetler, Stutzman & Lehman in the future on similar terms, as needed. In 2009, the law firm received fees of less than \$120,000 for the performance of legal services and such fees did not exceed 5% of the law firm or title agency's gross revenues.

### **COMPENSATION AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE INTERLOCKS AND INSIDER PARTICIPATION; CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS**

During 2009, none of CSB's NEOs or Directors was a member of the Board of Directors of any other company where the relationship would be construed to constitute a committee interlock within the meaning of the rules of the Commission.

### **SHAREHOLDER NOMINATIONS**

The Nominating Committee of the Board will consider recommendations for nominations, to serve as a director, received from shareholders in accordance with the Company's Code of Regulations. Shareholder recommendations for nomination should be submitted in writing to the Company at its principal office in Millersburg, Ohio, and must include the shareholder's name, address and the number of shares of the Company beneficially owned by the shareholder. The recommendation must be provided to the Company in writing not less than fourteen nor more than fifty days prior to the date of the Meeting. The recommendation should also include the name, age, business address, residence address, principal occupation and number of shares of the Company beneficially owned by the recommended candidate for nomination. Shareholder recommendations must also include the information that would be required to be disclosed in the solicitation of proxies for the election of directors under federal securities laws. The Company may also require any nominee to furnish additional information regarding the eligibility and qualifications of the recommended candidate.

**PROPOSALS BY SHAREHOLDERS FOR 2011 ANNUAL MEETING**

In order to be eligible for inclusion in CSB's proxy materials for the 2011 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, any shareholder's proposal to take action at such meeting must be received at CSB's main office at 91 North Clay Street, Millersburg, Ohio 44654, no later than November 26, 2010. Any such proposal shall be subject to the requirements of the proxy rules adopted under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**SHAREHOLDER COMMUNICATION WITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Shareholders interested in communicating directly with the Board of Directors may do so by writing to Ms. Peggy L. Conn, Secretary, CSB Bancorp, Inc., 91 North Clay Street, Millersburg, Ohio 44654. The mailing envelope and letter must contain a clear notation indicating that the enclosed letter is a Shareholder-Board of Directors Communication. The Secretary will review all such correspondence and regularly forward to the Board of Directors a log and summary of all such correspondence and copies of all correspondence that, in the opinion of the Secretary, deals with the functions of the Board or Committees of the Board or that she otherwise determines requires their attention. Directors may at any time review a log of all correspondence received by CSB that is addressed to members of the Board and request copies of any such correspondence. Concerns relating to accounting, internal controls or auditing matters are immediately brought to the attention of CSB's internal audit department and handled in accordance with procedures established by the Audit Committee for such matters.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

The Board of Directors is not aware of any business to be addressed at the Meeting other than those matters described above in this Proxy Statement. However, if any business other than that set forth in the Notice of the Meeting should be properly presented at the Meeting, it is intended that the Common Shares represented by proxies will be voted with respect thereto in accordance with the judgment of the person voting them.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS

/s/ Eddie L. Steiner  
Eddie L. Steiner  
President and Chief Executive Officer

March 26, 2010  
Millersburg, Ohio

x PLEASE MARK  
VOTES  
AS IN THIS  
EXAMPLE

**REVOCABLE PROXY  
CSB BANCORP, INC.**

**ANNUAL MEETING FOR THE SHAREHOLDERS  
APRIL 21, 2010  
THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

The undersigned hereby appoints Robert K. Baker and Daniel J. Miller and each of them, with full power of substitution, as proxies to vote, as designated below, for and in the name of the undersigned all shares of stock of CSB Bancorp, Inc. ( CSB ) which the undersigned is entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting for the Shareholders of said Company scheduled to be held on April 21, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. local time at the Carlisle Inn, Walnut Creek, Ohio, and at any adjournments or recesses thereof.

Please be sure to date and sign this proxy card in the box below. Date

Sign above

|   | <b>For</b> | <b>With-<br/>hold</b> | <b>For All<br/>Except</b> |
|---|------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS of all nominees listed (except as marked to the contrary below): | c          | c                     | c                         |

**Jeffery A. Robb, Sr.  
John R. Waltman**

**INSTRUCTION: To withhold authority to vote for any individual nominee, mark For All Except and write that nominee's name in the space provided below.**

|   | <b>For</b> | <b>Against</b> | <b>Abstain</b> |
|---|------------|----------------|----------------|
| 2. RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF S.R.<br><br>SNODGRASS, A.C. AS THE INDEPENDENT | c          | c              | c              |

REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR  
CSB BANCORP, INC. FOR THE YEAR 2010.

In their discretion, the proxies are authorized to vote upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

**Please mark X in the appropriate box. The Board of Directors recommends a FOR vote on each of the proposals below:**

This proxy when properly executed will be voted in the manner directed herein by the undersigned shareholder. If no direction is made, this proxy will be voted FOR the election of Directors and FOR ratification of the independent registered public accountants.

**ALL FORMER PROXIES ARE HEREBY REVOKED.**

**Detach above card, sign, date and mail in postage paid envelope provided.**

**CSB BANCORP, INC.**

**91 North Clay Street Millersburg, Ohio 44654**

**PLEASE ACT PROMPTLY**

**PLEASE COMPLETE, DATE, SIGN, AND MAIL THIS PROXY CARD PROMPTLY IN THE ENCLOSED POSTAGE-PAID ENVELOPE.**

Shareholders have the right to vote cumulatively in the election of directors. In order to exercise the right to vote cumulatively, a shareholder must give written notice to the President, a Vice President or the Secretary of CSB not less than forty-eight hours before the time fixed for the meeting, and the shareholder's demand for cumulative voting must be announced at the commencement of the meeting by or on behalf of the shareholder. If cumulative voting is elected, a shareholder may cast as many votes in an election of directors as the number of directors to be elected multiplied by the number of shares held. If any shareholder demands cumulative voting for the election of directors at the Meeting, this proxy gives the individuals named on the proxy full discretion and authority to vote cumulatively, and in their sole discretion to allocate votes among any or all of the nominees, unless authority to vote for any or all of the nominees is withheld.

(Please sign exactly as your name appears on this proxy. All joint owners should sign. When signing in a fiduciary capacity or as a corporate officer, please give your full title as such.)

**IF YOUR ADDRESS HAS CHANGED, PLEASE CORRECT THE ADDRESS IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW AND RETURN THIS PORTION WITH THE PROXY IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED.**