

PRESS RELEASE: First Ottawa Bancshares, Inc. declares dividend and re-elects Directors

OTTAWA, Illinois, May 18, 2016 -- First Ottawa Bancshares, Inc. (FOTB) announced today at its annual meeting of shareholders that a dividend of \$.50 per share will be payable on July 1, 2016 to common shareholders of record as of June 1, 2016. First Ottawa Bancshares, Inc. a single bank holding company and its wholly owned subsidiary The First National Bank of Ottawa also today re-elected John L. Cantlin, Steven M. Gonzalo, and Michael T. Reagan as Class II directors of both the holding company and the bank. These Class II directors will continue to serve with the other current directors, Bradley J. Armstrong, Lynn M. Dubajic, Donald J. Harris, Thomas P. Rooney, William K. Walsh, and Brian P. Zabel.