

## MERISTEM

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### **MERISTEM ADDS CONTROLLER.**

### **MERISTEM, A MULTI-FAMILY OFFICE BASED IN MINNETONKA, NAMES ROBERT SCHULKE AS CONTROLLER.**

TWIN CITIES ▪ October 13, 2008 ▪ Robert Schulke has been named Controller at Minnetonka-based Meristem, a multi-family office. Schulke will be working with Meristem's chief financial officer to execute and administer Meristem's operations including managing the financial budget, long-term financial plans, and all regulatory reporting. Schulke's role will include strategic planning, financial reporting, and human resource needs.

"In addition to adding expertise in our financial operations area," said Jerry Johnson, president of Meristem, "Bob will be a great resource for our wealth management clients who are involved in the real estate business."

Schulke's most recent experience was as controller and technical support manager for Bigos Management, Inc., a locally owned and managed apartment management company. Within that position, Schulke was responsible for analysis of acquisitions, financial review of properties, and insurance negotiations. Schulke has a total of 18 years experience in the controller and accounting fields, 12 of which were in management. He holds a B.S. in Accounting and Computer Science from Bemidji State University.

"I appreciate the opportunity to look for ways to continue to improve the operational processes at Meristem," Schulke said. "With a background in both information technology and finance, I enjoy viewing the existing processes and taking on the challenge of finding better ways to report data in more meaningful ways. My goal is to provide the best service and information to our clients."

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*About Meristem: Meristem is a wealth management firm operating in a Multi Family Office platform. Meristem provides a comprehensive menu of financial services for wealthy families and individuals including; wealth management, estate and tax planning, risk management, financial planning and charitable giving.*