

Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
August 25, 2016

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) August 24, 2016

Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

001-35373  
(Commission  
File Number)

90-0712224  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

14800 Landmark Boulevard, Suite 500, Dallas, Texas  
(Address of principal executive offices)

75254  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (972) 702-9300

N/A  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13a-4(c))

ITEM 5.02. DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS;  
APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS.

On August 24, 2016, Timothy P. Taft, Chief Executive Officer, President and a member of the Board of Directors of Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc. (the "Company"), informed the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") of his decision to retire as the Company's Chief Executive Officer, President and as a member of the Board effective at the end of Company's 2016 fiscal year.

The Company issued a press release announcing the retirement of Mr. Taft as the Company's Chief Executive Officer, President and as a member of the Board, the entire text of which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc. Press Release, dated August 25, 2016.

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Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FIESTA RESTAURANT GROUP, INC.

Date: August 25, 2016

By /s/Joseph A. Zirkman

Name: Joseph A. Zirkman

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary