UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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): September 1, 2005

CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction 001-13393 (Commission File Number) **52-1209792** (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification Number)

10750 Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, Maryland (Address of principal executive offices)

20901 (Zip Code)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On September 1, 2005, the Board of Directors of Choice Hotels International, Inc. (the Company) elected John T. Schwieters as a Class I director of the Company for a term expiring at the May 2007 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Mr. Schwieters was also appointed to the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.

The Company issued a press release announcing Mr. Schwieters s election, which is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibit 99.1 Press Release issued by Choice Hotels International, Inc. dated September 1, 2005.

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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.

Date: September 2, 2005 /s/ Joseph M. Squeri

Joseph M. Squeri Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer