

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act
(17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On March 15, 2016 the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Willamette Valley Vineyards, Inc. (the “Company”) elected Mr. Jonathan Ricci and Ms. Heather Westing as directors of the Board to serve effective March 15, 2016. This action increased the size of the Board from 7 to 9 members. The Company Bylaws currently provide for a Board of a minimum of two (2) and a maximum of eleven (11) members.

Mr. Ricci has over 15 years of experience in multiple facets of the beverage industry including distribution, financial services and retail sales. Mr. Ricci has not currently been appointed to any committees of the Board.

Ms. Westing has extensive experience in managing a large group of retail chain restaurants and investing in startup businesses. Ms. Westing has not currently been appointed to any committees of the Board.

There are no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Ricci or Ms. Westing and any person pursuant to which Mr. Ricci or Ms. Westing were elected as directors. Further, there are no transactions between Mr. Ricci or Ms. Westing and the Company that would require disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K, and there are no material plans, contracts or arrangements between Mr. Ricci or Ms. Westing, in their capacity as directors, and the Company.

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.

WILLAMETTE VALLEY VINEYARDS, INC.

Date: March 16, 2016

By: /s/ JAMES W. BERNAU

James W. Bernau
President

