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Form 8-K  
May 19, 2009

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): May 19, 2009

TECHNE CORPORATION  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Minnesota (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	0-17272 (Commission File Number)	41-1427402 I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
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614 Mckinley Place NE Minneapolis, MN (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	55413 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (612) 379-8854

Not Applicable  
(Former Name or Former Address, if changed since Last Report)

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- / / 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 Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

Effective May 19, 2009, John L. Higgins was elected to the Board of Directors of Techne Corporation (the "Company") and to the Nominations and Governance Committee, Audit Committee and Compensation Committee of the Board. In connection with his service on the Company's Board and Committees, Mr. Higgins will receive annual cash compensation and stock options pursuant to the Company's director compensation policy.

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Mr. Higgins was not named as director pursuant to any arrangement or understanding with any third person. There is not currently, nor has there been in the past, any transactions with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates in which Mr. Higgins has or had a direct or an indirect material interest.

On May 19, 2009, the Company issued a press release announcing the election of Mr. Higgins to the Company's Board of Directors. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

On May 19, 2009, the Company issued a press release announcing that Mr. G. Arthur Herbert, a current director and member of the Nominations and Governance Committee, Audit Committee and Compensation Committees, will not stand for re-election at the Company's Annual Meeting scheduled for October 29, 2009. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.2 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated May 19, 2009.

99.2 Press Release dated May 19, 2009.

SIGNATURE

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.

Dated: May 19, 2009

TECHNE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Thomas E. Oland

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Name: Thomas E. Oland  
Title: President and Chief  
Executive Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

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99.1 Press release of Techne Corporation dated May 19, 2009.  
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