

WINNEBAGO INDUSTRIES INC

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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) October 11, 2016

Winnebago  
Industries,  
Inc.  
(Exact  
Name of  
Registrant  
as  
Specified  
in its  
Charter)

Iowa  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

001-06403  
(Commission File Number)

42-0802678  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

P.O. Box 152, Forest City, Iowa  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

50436  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 641-585-3535

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(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report.)

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

(e) On October 11, 2016 the Human Resources Committee (the “Committee”) of the Board of Directors of Winnebago Industries, Inc. (the “Company”) approved to be effective August 28, 2016, which is the beginning of the Company's 2017 fiscal year, (i) the Officers Incentive Compensation Plan-Fiscal Period 2017 (the “2017 Incentive Compensation Plan”) and (ii) the Officers Long Term Incentive Plan-Fiscal Three Year Period 2017, 2018 and 2019 (the “LTIP 2017-2019”). Michael J. Happe (President, Chief Executive Officer and Director), Sarah N. Nielsen (Vice President, Chief Financial Officer), S. Scott Degnan (Vice President and General Manager, Towables) and Scott C. Folkers (Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary), each currently employed by the Company unless otherwise noted and a “named executive officer” as determined by Securities and Exchange Commission reporting rules (collectively, the “Named Executive Officers”), together with other executive officers of the Company, are eligible for awards under both the 2017 Incentive Compensation Plan and the LTIP 2017-2019 subject to the terms of the plans.

The 2017 Incentive Compensation Plan provides for an annual incentive award based upon the financial performance of the Company. The purpose of the 2017 Incentive Compensation Plan is to promote the growth and profitability of the Company by providing its officers with an incentive to achieve shorter-term corporate profit objectives and to attract and retain officers who will contribute to the achievement of growth and profitability of the Company. The 2017 Incentive Compensation Plan is an annual program that provides for annual measurements of financial performance and an opportunity for an annual incentive payment based on financial results measured against predetermined financial performance targets established by the Committee (these measures are set annually and may include earnings, return on equity, return on invested capital, increased sales, balance sheet management targets or other applicable measures) which were established at the Human Resources Committee meeting on October 11, 2016. Under the 2017 Incentive Compensation Plan, the amount of the Named Executive Officers' incentive compensation for the fiscal year shall be in direct proportion to the Company's financial performance expressed as a percentage (Financial Factor) against the base salary bonus (Target) for each participant. The Named Executive Officers must be employed by the Company at the end of the fiscal year to be eligible for any incentive payment, except for pro-rated payments made at the discretion of the Committee in the event of retirement, disability or death or upon a Change in Control as described below.

The 2017 Incentive Compensation Plan provides for a bonus (Target) of 100% (for the Chief Executive Officer) and 60% (in the case of the other Named Executive Officers) of base salary, respectively, paid in cash, at 100% achievement of the financial objectives.

In the event of a “Change in Control” (as defined in the 2017 Incentive Compensation Plan) participants are entitled to receive full annual awards within 15 days of the effective date of the Change of Control based on the Committee's estimate of the Company's financial performance through the end of the year in which such Change in Control occurs. The Named Executive Officers and other executive officers are also eligible for incentive awards under the LTIP 2017-2019. The purpose of the LTIP 2017-2019 is to promote the long-term growth and profitability of the Company by providing the officers of the Company with an incentive to achieve long-term corporate profit objectives and to attract and retain officers who will contribute to the achievement of growth and profitability of the Company. The LTIP 2017-2019 provides for incentive awards consisting of performance stock grants made in restricted shares of the Company's Common Stock. The awards under the LTIP 2017-2019 are based upon the Company's financial performance as measured against the Company's financial results at the end of the three year fiscal period. The Named Executive Officers must be employed by the Company at the end of fiscal 2019 to be eligible for an incentive award under the LTIP 2017-2019, except upon a Change in Control as described below.

Under the LTIP 2017-2019, the amount of the participants' long term incentive award for the three year fiscal period is in direct proportion to the Company's financial performance expressed as a percentage (Financial Factor) against award targets for each participant predetermined by the Committee (these measures are set annually and may include earnings, return on equity, return on invested capital, increased sales, balance sheet



management targets or other applicable measures). The Company's financial results for the three year fiscal period are used in determining the Financial Factor to be used for that plan period when calculating the participants' long term incentive awards. Restricted stock earned under the LTIP 2017-2019 and approved by the Committee will be awarded as soon as practical after the Company's year-end accounting following the 2019 fiscal year end. The price of any restricted stock award will be the closing market price of the Company's Common Stock on the date on which the grant is approved by the Committee. The stock award restriction will be removed one year after the grant date.

The long term incentive for the Chief Executive Officer provides for an opportunity of 100% of the annualized base salary and for Named Executive Officers 50% of the annualized base salary (Target) to be awarded in restricted stock at 100% achievement of the financial long-term objectives. The annualized base salary figure used is the salary in place for each participant as of September 2016. The resultant incentive award (at 100% of the three year fiscal management plan) will be adjusted up or down as determined by actual financial performance expressed as a percentage (Financial Factor) at the end of the three year fiscal period.

The financial performance measurement or measurements and the threshold, target and maximum performance levels for which incentive awards will be paid pursuant to the LTIP 2017-2019 were established at the October 11, 2016 Human Resources Committee meeting. Financial performance achievement levels may be adjusted to include or exclude specific items of an unusual nature or non operating or significant events not anticipated by the Committee when financial performance measurements were established, as determined by the Committee in its sole discretion and as permitted by the LTIP 2017 2019.

In the event of a "Change in Control" (as defined in the LTIP 2017-2019) participants are entitled to receive a full three year plan award within 15 days of the effective date based on the Committee's estimate of the Company's financial performance through the end of the LTIP 2017-2019 three year fiscal period.

In the event the Committee reasonably determines that the performance certified by the Committee, and any payment made to a participant with respect to the 2017 Incentive Compensation Plan or the LTIP 2017-2019 was based on the achievement of financial results that are subsequently the subject of a restatement due to material noncompliance with any financial reporting requirement under either generally accepted accounting principles or federal securities laws, other than as a result of changes to accounting rules and regulations, the participant will be obligated to repay to the Company such amounts required under any rules or regulations adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission under Section 10D(b)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, any rules or standards adopted by a national securities exchange on which the Company's equity securities are listed, any related guidance from a governmental agency which has jurisdiction over the administration of such provision, any judicial interpretation of such provision and as otherwise may be required under applicable law or Company policy, in each case as determined by the Committee.

The foregoing description of the 2017 Incentive Compensation Plan and the LTIP 2017-2019 is a summary. Reference is made to each of the 2017 Incentive Compensation Plan and the LTIP 2017 2019 filed as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, respectively, to this Report and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c)Exhibits

Exhibit

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99.1 Officers Incentive Compensation Plan Fiscal Period 2017

99.2 Officers Long-Term Incentive Plan Fiscal Three-Year Period 2017, 2018 and 2019

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.

Date: October 13, 2016 WINNEBAGO INDUSTRIES, INC.

By: /s/ Scott C. Folkers

Name: Scott C. Folkers

Title: Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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