

GENTEX CORP  
Form 8-K  
May 21, 2018

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 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 17, 2018

GENTEX CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan                      0-10235      38-2030505  
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer  
of incorporation)              File Number) Identification No.)

600 North Centennial  
Street    49464  
Zeeland, Michigan  
(Address of principal                              (Zip Code)  
executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (616) 772-1800

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(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- 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 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company   

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the

Exchange Act. o

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Section 1 - Registrant's Business and Operations

Item 1.01 Entry into a Mutual Definitive Agreement.

For 2018, the Board of Directors of Gentex Corporation (the "Company") adjusted annual compensation of directors who are committee members as follows:

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|---|---------|
| Audit Committee Member retainer                               | \$7,500 |
| Compensation Committee Member retainer                        | \$5,000 |
| Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee Member retainer | \$5,000 |

Such amounts are paid to all committee members, including chairs of the committees.

Section 5 – Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

On May 17, 2018, the Company held its 2018 Annual Meeting of the Shareholders. The matters listed and described briefly below were submitted to a vote of the shareholders through the solicitation of proxies. The proposals are described in detail in the Company's Proxy Statement filed on April 3, 2018. The voting results are as follows:

Election of Directors

The following individuals were elected to serve as directors of the Company to hold office for a one (1) year term expiring in 2019:

| Nominee             | Votes For   | Votes Withheld | Broker Non-Votes |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------|------------------|
| Ms. Leslie Brown    | 210,915,788 | 1,980,119      | 35,127,760       |
| Mr. Gary Goode      | 205,031,694 | 7,864,213      | 35,127,760       |
| Mr. James Hollars   | 211,396,718 | 1,499,189      | 35,127,760       |
| Mr. John Mulder     | 210,252,050 | 2,643,857      | 35,127,760       |
| Mr. Richard Schaum  | 210,099,847 | 2,796,060      | 35,127,760       |
| Mr. Frederick Sotok | 207,754,621 | 5,141,286      | 35,127,760       |
| Mr. James Wallace   | 207,417,156 | 5,478,751      | 35,127,760       |

Ratification of the Appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's Auditors for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2018

The shareholders did ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP to serve as the Company's auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2018:

| Votes For   | Votes Against | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
|-------------|---------------|-------------|------------------|
| 243,974,049 | 3,778,394     | 271,224     | —                |

Proposal for Approval, on an Advisory Basis, of the Compensation of the Company's Named Executive Officers

The shareholders did approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of the Company's named executive officers:

| Votes For   | Votes Against | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
|-------------|---------------|-------------|------------------|
| 159,619,939 | 52,706,821    | 569,147     | 35,127,760       |

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: May 21, 2018

GENTEX CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

By /s/ Kevin Nash  
Kevin Nash  
Chief Financial Officer and  
Vice President - Finance