

GENESEE & WYOMING INC
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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): May 27, 2011

Genesee & Wyoming Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

001-31456
(Commission

File Number)

06-0984624
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

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66 Field Point Road, Greenwich, Connecticut

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (203) 629-3722

06830

(Zip Code)

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 Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On May 26, 2011, the stockholders of Genesee & Wyoming Inc. (the Company) approved the Second Amended and Restated 2004 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the Omnibus Plan) at the Company's annual meeting of stockholders. The Omnibus Plan became effective as of the date of such stockholders' approval. A description of the Omnibus Plan is set forth in the Company's proxy statement, dated April 15, 2011, for its 2011 annual meeting of stockholders (the Proxy Statement), under Proposal Two: Adoption of our Second Amended and Restated 2004 Omnibus Incentive Plan starting at page 55, which is incorporated herein by reference. The description is qualified in its entirety by reference to a copy of the Omnibus Plan attached to the Proxy Statement as Annex I, which is also incorporated herein by reference.

Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

(a) The Company's 2011 annual meeting of stockholders was held on May 26, 2011.

(b) The stockholders considered six proposals, each of which is described in more detail in the Proxy Statement. A total of 37,905,515 shares of Class A common stock, or 95.69%, were present in person or by proxy at the annual meeting. A total of 2,356,130 shares of Class B common stock, or 100%, were present in person or by proxy at the meeting. The holders of the Company's Class B common stock are entitled to ten votes for each share of Class B common stock held. The final voting results for each matter submitted to a vote of stockholders at the annual meeting are as follows:

Proposal 1: Election of Directors. The stockholders voted to elect the following individuals as Class I directors of the Company, each for a three-year term expiring in 2014, or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified:

| Nominee | Votes For | Votes Withheld | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------------------|------------|----------------|------------------|
| Mortimer B. Fuller III | 57,469,866 | 1,270,347 | 2,726,602 |
| John C. Hellmann | 57,520,990 | 1,219,223 | 2,726,602 |
| Robert M. Melzer | 57,070,121 | 1,670,092 | 2,726,602 |

Directors whose terms of office continued after the annual meeting are: David C. Hurley, Øivind Lorentzen, Michael Norkus, Peter O. Scannell, Mark A. Scudder and Philip J. Ringo.

Proposal 2: Ratification of the Company's Second Amended and Restated 2004 Omnibus Incentive Plan. The adoption of the Company's Omnibus Plan was ratified as follows:

| Votes For | Votes Against | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------|---------------|-------------|------------------|
| 39,518,774 | 18,996,873 | 224,566 | 2,726,602 |

Proposal 3: Approval of the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation. The amendment and restatement of the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation was approved as follows:

| Class A | Class A | Class A | Class A |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Votes For | Votes Against | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
| 27,786,955 | 10,080,645 | 37,915 | 0 |
| Class B | Class B | Class B | Class B |
| Votes For | Votes Against | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
| 23,561,300 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Classes A and B | Classes A and B | Classes A and B | Classes A and B |
| Votes For | Votes Against | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
| 51,348,255 | 10,080,645 | 37,915 | 0 |

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A copy of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation is attached to the Proxy Statement as Annex II, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Proposal 4: Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation. The stockholders approved, on an advisory, non-binding basis, the compensation of our named executive officers as follows:

| Votes For | Votes Against | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------|---------------|-------------|------------------|
| 50,443,358 | 8,241,392 | 55,463 | 2,726,602 |

Proposal 5: Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation. The stockholders voted for three years with respect to the frequency with which stockholders are provided an advisory, non-binding vote on the compensation paid to our named executive officers as follows:

| Votes For | Votes For | Votes For | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------|-----------|------------|-------------|------------------|
| 1 Year | 2 Years | 3 Years | | |
| 23,760,523 | 311,255 | 28,279,855 | 6,388,580 | 2,726,602 |

Proposal 6: Ratification of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as independent registered public accounting firm. The selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011 was ratified as follows:

| Votes For | Votes Against | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------|---------------|-------------|------------------|
| 60,350,131 | 1,084,630 | 32,054 | 0 |

(d) In light of the votes cast by the stockholders on the frequency of the advisory vote on executive compensation, and consistent with the Company's recommendation, the Company's board of directors currently intends to include an advisory, non-binding vote to approve the compensation of the Company's named executive officers every three years until the next required vote on the frequency of stockholder votes on the compensation of the Company's named executive officers.

Item 9.01 Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

For a list of exhibits, see the Exhibit Index in this Report, which is incorporated into this Item 9.01 by reference.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: May 27, 2011

GENESEE & WYOMING INC.

By: /s/ Allison M. Fergus
Name: Allison M. Fergus
Title: General Counsel and Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

| Exhibit No. | Description |
|----------------|---|
| 4.1 | Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated herein by reference to Annex II to the Company's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A dated April 15, 2011) |
| 10.1 | Second Amended and Restated 2004 Omnibus Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Annex I to the Company's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A dated April 15, 2011) |
| 99.1 | The section entitled "Proposal Two: Adoption of our Second Amended and Restated 2004 Omnibus Incentive Plan" starting at page 55 of the Company's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A dated April 15, 2011 is incorporated herein by reference |