

SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC

Form 8-K

May 16, 2016

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 11, 2016

Southside Bancshares, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas

0-12247

75-1848732

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification Number)

1201 S. Beckham, Tyler, Texas

75701

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (903) 531-7111

NA

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

ITEM 5.07. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS.

The annual meeting of shareholders of Southside Bancshares, Inc. (the “Company”) was held on May 11, 2016, in Tyler, Texas. Four directors were elected for a term of three years. The appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016, was ratified.

The final voting results are set forth below:

	Shares Voted		Broker Non Votes
	For	Withheld	
Nominees for Director for a term expiring at the 2019 Annual Meeting			
Alton Cade	15,102,362	385,124	5,725,837
Lee R. Gibson	14,744,624	742,862	5,725,837
Paul W. Powell	14,749,382	738,104	5,725,837
Donald W. Thedford	14,701,035	786,451	5,725,837
	For	Against	Abstain
Ratification of Independent Auditors	20,939,388	251,284	22,651
	Outstanding#	Voted	% Voted
At Date of Record	24,982,078	21,213,323	84.91

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.

Southside Bancshares, Inc.

Date: May 16, 2016 By: /s/ Julie N. Shamburger
Julie N. Shamburger, CPA
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer