

Solera National Bancorp, Inc.
Form 8-K
May 28, 2014

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 28, 2014 (May 22, 2014)

Solera National Bancorp, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | 000-53181 (Commission File Number) | 02-0774841 (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
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319 S. Sheridan Blvd.
Lakewood, CO 80226
303-209-8600
(Address and telephone number of principal executive offices)

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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

On May 22, 2014, Solera National Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") held its 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders ("Annual Meeting"). The number of shares represented in person or by proxy at the Annual Meeting was 1,903,307 or 71.0% of the outstanding voting shares of the Company, which constituted a quorum. The proposals voted on at the Annual Meeting and the preliminary voting results are set forth below. We will file an amendment to this report when final results are available.

Proposal 1. With respect to the proposal to elect directors to the Board of Directors of the Company for terms expiring at the 2015 annual meeting of shareholders or until their successors are duly elected and qualified, the following persons were elected and received the number of votes set forth below:

| | FOR | WITHHELD | TOTAL |
|--------------------|---------|----------|---------|
| Maria G. Arias | 669,519 | 38,500 | 708,019 |
| John P. Carmichael | 689,519 | 18,500 | 708,019 |
| Ron Eller | 672,019 | 36,000 | 708,019 |
| Ray L. Nash | 672,019 | 36,000 | 708,019 |
| David N. Roberts | 669,269 | 38,500 | 707,769 |
| Larry D. Trujillo | 668,269 | 39,500 | 707,769 |
| Kent C. Veio | 661,769 | 46,000 | 707,769 |

Proposal 2. The proposal to ratify the appointment of McGladrey LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014 was ratified by the following vote:

| FOR | AGAINST | ABSTAIN | TOTAL |
|-----------|---------|---------|-----------|
| 1,853,208 | 41,849 | 3,750 | 1,898,807 |

A shareholder of the Company, Michael Quagliano, purported to present at the Annual Meeting (i) the election of six alternative director nominees and (ii) an amendment to the Company's bylaws that would reduce the size of the board to five. The Company's bylaws require that a shareholder seeking to bring business (including the nomination of directors) before an annual shareholders' meeting provide a notice to the Company that includes specified information. Mr. Quagliano provided such a notice with respect to his nominees and the proposed amendment to the bylaws. However, as disclosed in the Company's proxy statement relating to the Annual Meeting, the Company believes that this notice did not contain all of the information required under the bylaws. Among other things, the notice did not include information regarding whether or not there are any arrangements between Quagliano and other persons regarding future employment or transactions with the Company. In addition, the notice contained misstatements regarding the qualifications of one of his nominees and omitted significant information about the qualifications of another. Further, the Company believes that additional violations of law occurred during the solicitation process that would disqualify Mr. Quagliano's nominees and proposal from being considered. Therefore, as further disclosed in the Company's proxy statement, the Company concluded that his proposals were not properly before the meeting, and votes for his nominees and proposal were not given effect. The Company understands that Mr. Quagliano disagrees with the Company's position, and believes that his notice was adequate. The Company has filed a declaratory judgment action seeking a judicial determination of this issue. The Company has tallied the votes cast for Mr. Quagliano's nominees and proposals at the Annual Meeting, which are set forth below, and will give them effect if the court so directs.

Proposal 1. For Mr. Quagliano's alternative slate of director nominees:

| | FOR | WITHHELD | TOTAL |
|----------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Lars Johnson | 1,162,689 | 32,849 | 1,195,538 |
| Jackson Lounsberry | 1,162,439 | 32,849 | 1,195,288 |
| Michael D. Quagliano | 1,172,788 | 22,750 | 1,195,538 |
| Carlyle F. Griffin | 1,162,689 | 32,849 | 1,195,538 |
| Drew Quagliano | 1,161,689 | 33,599 | 1,195,288 |
| Melissa Allen | 1,161,189 | 34,099 | 1,195,288 |

Proposal 3. Mr. Quagliano's proposal to amend the Company's bylaws to reduce the size of the Board of Directors to five (5) members:

| FOR | AGAINST | ABSTAIN | TOTAL |
|-----------|---------|---------|-----------|
| 1,229,819 | 639,538 | 27,450 | 1,896,807 |

According to Mr. Quagliano's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, he and his co-participant Robert Fenton owned, in the aggregate, 693,345 shares of the Company's stock as of the record date for the Annual Meeting.

SIGNATURES

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.

Solera National Bancorp, Inc.
(Registrant)

Date: May 28, 2014

By: /s/ John P. Carmichael
Name: John P. Carmichael
Title: President and Chief Executive Officer