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): July 1, 2016

DELUXE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-7945 (Commission File Number) **41-0216800** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

3680 Victoria St. North, Shoreview, Minnesota (Address of principal executive offices) 55126-2966 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (651) 483-7111

N/A

(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))

Section 5 - Corporate Governance and Management

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

(a) On July 1, 2016, Mary Ann O'Dwyer, a member of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Deluxe Corporation (the "Company"), gave notice of her intent to resign from the Board due to health reasons, effective July 5, 2016. Ms. O'Dwyer was chair of the Audit Committee and a member of the Corporate Governance Committee. Ms. O'Dwyer had no disagreement with the Company.

On July 7, 2016, the Board appointed Charles Haggerty, currently a member of the Board and of the Audit Committee, to the role of chair of the Audit Committee.

(d) On July 7, 2016, the Board appointed John L. Stauch to be a member of the Board. Mr. Stauch also was appointed to serve on the Board's Audit Committee and Finance Committee. Mr. Stauch currently is the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Pentair plc, an international, diversified, industrial manufacturing company, and he is not a party to any related party transactions with the Company.

Mr. Stauch will receive the standard compensation provided to all of the Company's non-employee directors, which currently consists of an annualized cash retainer fee of \$70,000 for Board service, annualized cash retainers of \$13,000 and \$7,000 for service on the Audit and Finance Committees, respectively, and eligibility to receive an annual equity grant, which typically is awarded at the time of each director's election by the Company's shareholders at the annual meeting. Upon his July 7 election to the Board, Mr. Stauch was awarded 1,661 shares of restricted stock, representing a pro-rated annual grant value to compensate Mr. Stauch for services to be rendered through the date of the 2017 annual meeting, the terms of which are governed by the Form of Non-Employee Director Restricted Stock Award Agreement filed as Exhibit 10.22 to the Company's Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015.

All directors of the Company are subject to annual election by the Company's shareholders, and it is expected that Mr. Stauch, along with all incumbent directors, will be a nominee for election at the 2017 annual meeting of shareholders.

A copy of the Company's press release announcing the election of Mr. Stauch is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
 - 99.1 Press Release, dated July 8, 2016, of Deluxe Corporation announcing the election of John L. Stauch to the Deluxe Corporation Board of Directors and the resignation of Mary Ann O'Dwyer from the Deluxe Corporation Board of Directors.

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.

Date: July 8, 2016

DELUXE CORPORATION

/s/ J. Michael Schroeder

J. Michael Schroeder Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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NEWS RELEASE

July 8, 2016

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John L. Stauch Elected to Deluxe Corporation Board of Directors Mary Ann O'Dwyer Resigns from Board

ST. PAUL, MN – July 8, 2016 – Deluxe Corporation (NYSE: DLX) announced the election of John L. Stauch to its Board of Directors effective July 7, 2016.

Mr. Stauch, (51), is currently the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Pentair plc and has served in that position since 2007. Previously, Mr. Stauch held the title of Chief Financial Officer of the Automation and Control Systems unit of Honeywell International Inc., Chief Financial Officer and Information Technology Director of PerkinElmer Optoelectronics and various positions within Honeywell International Inc. and its predecessor AlliedSignal Inc.

"We are pleased to have an individual with John's experience and proven track record of financial leadership join our Board," said Martyn Redgrave, Chairman of the Board for Deluxe Corporation. "John will be a tremendous resource to Deluxe as we continue to execute our transformational strategy, expanding our marketing solutions & other services offerings in the small business and financial services markets."

The Company also announced that Mary Ann O'Dwyer has resigned from the Board of Directors, due to health reasons, effective July 5, 2016. On July 7, 2016, the Board appointed Charles Haggerty, currently a member of the Board and the Audit Committee, to the additional role of chair of the Audit Committee.

Mr. Redgrave added, "Mary Ann has been a valued member of the Deluxe board since 2003. She most recently served as the chair of the Audit Committee and as a member of the Corporate Governance Committee. On behalf of our entire Board, I want to thank Mary Ann for her significant contributions during her 13 years of service to Deluxe. We all wish her well in working through her health issues."

After all of these changes, the total number of directors on the Board remains at ten, nine of whom are independent of management.

About Deluxe Corporation

Deluxe is a growth engine for small businesses and financial institutions. 4.5 million small business customers utilize Deluxe's service and product solutions, including website development and hosting, email marketing, social media, search engine optimization and logo design, in addition to our industry-leading checks and forms offerings. Deluxe serves approximately 5,100 financial institutions with a diverse portfolio of financial technology solutions that enable them to grow revenue and manage their customers' throughout their lifecycle, including our best-in-class check program solutions. Deluxe is also

a leading provider of checks and accessories sold directly to consumers. For more information, visit us at <u>www.deluxe.com</u>, <u>www.facebook.com/deluxecorp</u> or <u>www.twitter.com/deluxecorp</u>.