BOYD GAMING CORP Form 8-K April 18, 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): April 14, 2016

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**Boyd Gaming Corporation** 

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Nevada 001-12882 88-0242733

(State or Other Jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification

Incorporation) (Commission The Number) Number)

3883 Howard Hughes Parkway, Ninth Floor

Las Vegas, Nevada 89169

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, Including Zip Code)

(702) 792-7200

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers;

5.02. Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

The disclosure set forth under Proposal 1 and Proposal 3 in Item 5.07 is incorporated herein by reference.

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

At the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") of Boyd Gaming Corporation (the "Company"), held on April 14, 2016, the following proposals were voted on by the Company's stockholders, as set forth below:

Proposal 1. Election of Directors

	Votes For	Votes Withheld	Broker Non-Votes
John R. Bailey	99,535,617	386,770	6,724,252
Robert L. Boughner	94,202,886	5,719,501	6,724,252
William R. Boyd	94,205,911	5,716,476	6,724,252
William S. Boyd	97,826,104	2,096,283	6,724,252
Richard E. Flaherty	98,958,497	963,890	6,724,252
Marianne Boyd Johnson	97,772,714	2,149,673	6,724,252
Keith E. Smith	98,957,930	964,457	6,724,252
Christine J. Spadafor	98,912,292	1,010,095	6,724,252
Peter M. Thomas	98,560,392	1,361,995	6,724,252
Paul W. Whetsell	98,799,234	1,123,153	6,724,252
Veronica J. Wilson	98,799,755	1,122,632	6,724,252

Each of the director nominees were elected to serve as a director until the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders or until their respective successors are elected and qualified.

As previously disclosed in the Company's proxy statement for the Annual Meeting, due to his age and pursuant to the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines, General Billy G. McCoy was not eligible to stand for reelection at the Annual Meeting. Accordingly, the Company's Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee did not nominate General McCoy to stand for re-election and, effective upon the election of directors at the Annual Meeting, the Company's authorized number of directors was fixed at eleven.

Proposal Ratification of the Appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company's Independent Registered

Public Accounting Firm. 2.

Votes For Abstain Votes Against 321,867 1,587,886 104,736,886

The appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm was ratified.

Proposal 3. Reapproval of the Company's 2000 Executive Management Incentive Plan.

Votes Against Votes For Abstain 97,793,533 544,868 1,583,986

The Company's 2000 Executive Management Incentive Plan (the "2000 MIP") was reapproved. The Company's Board of Directors and the Company's stockholders had previously reapproved the 2000 MIP in 2011. Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code requires that the 2000 MIP be submitted to the Company's stockholders every five years for approval. The 2000 MIP provides the Company's key executives with the opportunity to earn incentive awards based

on the achievement of goals relating to the performance of the Company and its business units.

Proposal 4. Stockholder Proposal.

 Votes For
 Votes Against
 Abstain

 36,763,300
 57,398,616
 5,760,471

A stockholder proposal regarding adoption of a "proxy access" provision, as further described in the Company's definitive proxy statement for the Annual Meeting filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 15, 2016, was not approved.

#### **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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: April 18, 2016 Boyd Gaming Corporation

By: /s/ Anthony D. McDuffie

Anthony D. McDuffie

Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer