STEIN MART INC Form 8-K/A May 21, 2010

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K/A

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

May 11, 2010

(Date of Report; Date of Earliest Event Reported)

STEIN MART, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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(State or Other Jurisdiction

(Commission

(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

of Incorporation)

File Number) 1200 Riverplace Blvd., Jacksonville, Florida 32207

(Address of Principal Executive Offices Including Zip Code)

(904) 346-1500

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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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

Employment Agreement. As previously reported in the Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 14, 2010, Stein Mart, Inc. (the Company) announced the appointment of Gary L. Pierce as Senior Vice President and Director of Stores of the Company. In connection with Mr. Pierce s appointment, on May 18, 2010, the Company and Mr. Pierce executed an employment agreement (the Employment Agreement), a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 10.1. The Employment Agreement, among other things, provides for: (i) a term of two years, (ii) annual base salary of \$325,000 per year, (iii) severance compensation equal to 100% of annual base salary and continuation of insurance benefits for one year if the Employment Agreement is not renewed at expiration or executive is terminated without cause by the Company or with good reason by the executive only base salary through the termination date is due, (v) if terminated without cause by the Company or with good reason by the executive following a change of control, severance compensation equal to 200% of bonuses earned in the year of termination, (vi) restrictive covenants against competing with the Company or recruiting any Company personnel for two years following termination, and (vii) vesting of unvested options and restricted shares upon death or disability. The executive remains eligible for other benefit plans and incentive plans in effect from time to time.

Option Award Agreement. On May 18, 2010, Mr. Pierce was granted an option to purchase 20,000 shares of the Company s common stock, at an exercise price of \$9.08, under the Company s 2001 Omnibus Plan. The option has a term of seven years and is valued at \$113,200. The form of the Option Award Agreement for Key Employees, pursuant to Stein Mart, Inc. 2001 Omnibus Plan, is incorporated by reference to the Company s Form S-8 Registration Statement filed on August 7, 2001.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS (d) Exhibits

10.1 Employment Agreement, dated May 18, 2010, between Stein Mart, Inc. and Gary L. Pierce.

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.

STEIN MART, INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Gregory W. Kleffner Gregory W. Kleffner Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: May 21, 2010

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