

BGC Partners, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
June 07, 2013

**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): June 4, 2013**

**BGC Partners, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

**0-28191, 1-35591**  
(Commission

File Numbers)

**13-4063515**  
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

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499 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10022

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 610-2200

(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))

**ITEM 5.02. DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS**

On June 4, 2013, at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Annual Meeting) of BGC Partners, Inc. (the Company), the Company's stockholders approved an amendment to the Company's Third Amended and Restated Long Term Incentive Plan (the Equity Plan) to increase from 150 million to 200 million the aggregate number of shares of the Company's Class A common stock that may be delivered or cash settled pursuant to awards granted during the life of the Equity Plan.

For a description of the terms and conditions of the Equity Plan, as amended and restated and approved by the Company's stockholders at the Annual Meeting, see *Description of the Equity Plan* under Proposal 2 Approval of the Fourth Amended and Restated BGC Partners, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan, in the Company's proxy statement for the Annual Meeting, which description is incorporated herein by reference. The description of the Equity Plan contained in the proxy statement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Equity Plan, as amended and restated, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

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

The following matters were voted upon at the Annual Meeting:

- (1) The election of four directors to hold office until the next annual meeting of stockholders or until their respective successors have been duly elected and qualified; and
- (2) The approval of the Fourth Amended and Restated BGC Partners, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan.

For more information about the foregoing proposals, see the proxy statement for the Annual Meeting.

At the Annual Meeting, holders of Class A common stock were entitled to one vote per share, and holders of Class B common stock were entitled to 10 votes per share, and the two classes voted together as a single class on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders. The number of votes cast for and against and the number of withheld votes, abstentions and broker non-votes with respect to each matter voted upon at the Annual Meeting are set forth below:

***Proposal 1 - Election of Directors***

| Directors          | For         | Withheld   | Broker Non-Votes |
|--------------------|-------------|------------|------------------|
| Howard W. Lutnick  | 392,148,928 | 14,398,623 | 74,507,334       |
| John H. Dalton     | 383,179,191 | 23,368,360 | 74,507,334       |
| Stephen T. Curwood | 383,207,722 | 23,339,829 | 74,507,334       |
| Albert M. Weis     | 383,076,226 | 23,471,325 | 74,507,334       |

The four nominees were elected to the Board of Directors and will serve as directors until our next annual meeting or until their respective successors are elected and qualified.

***Proposal 2 - Approval of the Fourth Amended and Restated BGC Partners, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan***

| Votes For   | Votes Against | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
|-------------|---------------|-------------|------------------|
| 372,489,212 | 33,363,769    | 694,570     | 74,507,334       |

Stockholders approved the Fourth Amended and Restated BGC Partners, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan.

**ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**  
(d) Exhibits

| Exhibit<br>Number | Description   |
|-------------------|---|
| 10.1              | Fourth Amended and Restated BGC Partners, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan |

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report on Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BGC Partners, Inc.

Date: June 5, 2013

By: /s/ HOWARD W. LUTNICK  
Name: **Howard W. Lutnick**  
Title: **Chairman and Chief Executive Officer**

*[Signature Page to Form 8-K, dated June 5, 2013, regarding the Company's 2013*

*Annual Meeting of Stockholders.]*

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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