

BIO RAD LABORATORIES INC
Form 8-K
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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: April 26, 2011

(Date of earliest event reported)

BIO-RAD LABORATORIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 1-7928

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

94-1381833
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1000 Alfred Nobel Dr.

Hercules, California 94547

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(510) 724-7000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Bio-Rad Laboratories, Inc. (the “Company”) held its Annual Meeting of Stockholders on April 26, 2011. The matters voted upon at the meeting and the results of those votes were as follows:

1. Election of Directors.

| | Class of Common Stock to Elect | Votes For | Votes Withheld | Votes Abstaining | Broker Non-Votes |
|-------------------|---|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Louis Drapeau | Class A | 16,802,118 | 2,629,194 | - | 1,757,204 |
| Albert J. Hillman | Class A | 16,729,654 | 2,701,658 | - | 1,757,204 |
| Dr. Ted W. Love | Class B | 4,824,229 | 30,850 | - | 210,365 |
| Alice N. Schwartz | Class B | 4,817,557 | 37,522 | - | 210,365 |
| David Schwartz | Class B | 4,817,557 | 37,522 | - | 210,365 |
| Norman Schwartz | Class B | 4,818,613 | 36,466 | - | 210,365 |

2. Ratification of the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company’s independent auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011.

| Votes For | Votes Against | Votes Abstaining | Broker Non-Votes |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 7,151,437 | 1,495 | 31,364 | - |

3. Approval of the Bio-Rad Laboratories, Inc. 2011 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

| Votes For | Votes Against | Votes Abstaining | Broker Non-Votes |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 6,731,675 | 48,155 | 18,381 | 386,085 |

4. Advisory vote on executive compensation.

| Votes For | Votes Against | Votes Abstaining | Broker Non-Votes |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 6,716,867 | 77,542 | 3,802 | 386,085 |

5. Advisory vote on the frequency of executive compensation votes.

| Votes | Votes | Votes | Votes |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1 year | 2 years | 3 years | Abstaining |
| 1,042,159 | 60,901 | 5,690,841 | 4,310 |

In light of these voting results, the Company will include the advisory vote on executive compensation in its proxy materials every 3 years until the next required vote on the frequency of such advisory votes.

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.

BIO-RAD LABORATORIES, INC.

Date: May 2, 2011

By: /s/ Christine A. Tsingos

Christine A. Tsingos
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer