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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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 3, 2018

Ciena Corporation

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-36250

23-2725311

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

7035 Ridge Road, Hanover, MD 21076 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(410) 694-5700

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

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

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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ITEM 5.07 - SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

Ciena held its annual meeting of stockholders on April 3, 2018. As of the February 7, 2018 record date, there were 143,930,896 shares of common stock outstanding and entitled to notice of and to vote at the annual meeting. The matters described below were voted on by stockholders at the annual meeting and the number of votes cast with respect to each matter, and with respect to the election of directors, were as indicated below:

Proposal 1 For Against Abstain Non-Votes

Election to the Board of Directors of three Class III directors:

Bruce L. Claflin 113,877,802 1,135,824794,348 15,149,894
Patrick T. Gallagher 109,849,835 5,164,376793,763 15,149,894
T. Michael Nevens 114,392,356621,874 793,744 15,149,894

Election to the Board of Directors of one Class II director:

William D. Fathers 113,919,3861,094,748793,84015,149,894

Each director nominee above was elected by the vote of the majority of the votes cast by stockholders in accordance with Ciena's bylaws. The Class III directors will each serve a three-year term expiring at the 2021 annual meeting of stockholders. In accordance with Ciena's bylaws, the Class II director previously appointed by the Board of Directors will serve the remainder of his term until the 2020 annual meeting of stockholders.

Proposal 2 For Against Abstain Non-Votes

Ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as Ciena's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending
October 31, 2018:

129,571,5591,273,709112,6000

Proposal 2 was approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the total votes cast by stockholders.

Proposal 3 For Against Abstain Non-Votes

A stockholder advisory vote on the named executive officer compensation described in the proxy materials: 113,909,9131,645,599252,46215,149,894

Proposal 3 was approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the total votes cast by stockholders.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

Ciena Corporation

Date: April 5, 2018 By:/s/ David M. Rothenstein
David M. Rothenstein
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary