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Form 8-K April 26, 2012

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 24, 2012

STRYKER CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan 0-9165 38-1239739
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

2825 Airview Boulevard, Kalamazoo, Michigan

(Address of principal executive offices)

49002
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 269.385.2600

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

At the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on April 24, 2012, shareholders voted on five proposals and cast their votes as follows:

1 Election of directors:

| | Shares | | |
|-------------------------|-------------|------------|------------------|
| Name | For | Withheld | Broker Non-Votes |
| Howard E. Cox, Jr. | 295,804,507 | 8,873,209 | 37,645,187 |
| Srikant M. Datar, Ph.D. | 300,990,549 | 3,687,167 | 37,645,187 |
| Roch Doliveux, DVM | 296,828,568 | 7,849,148 | 37,645,187 |
| Louise L. Francesconi | 286,588,060 | 18,089,656 | 37,645,187 |
| Allan C. Golston | 303,678,300 | 999,416 | 37,645,187 |
| Howard L. Lance | 297,279,851 | 7,397,865 | 37,645,187 |
| William U. Parfet | 270,659,524 | 34,018,192 | 37,645,187 |
| Ronda E. Stryker | 288,885,722 | 15,791,994 | 37,645,187 |

2 Ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for 2012:

Shares

For Against Abstain 338,137,340 3,708,748 476,815

Approval of amendment to the Company's Restated Articles of Incorporation to implement a majority vote standard for uncontested elections of directors:

Shares

For Against Abstain Broker Non-Votes 303,085,368 763,679 828,669 37,645,187

4 Re-approval of the material terms of the performance goals under the Company's Executive Bonus Plan:

Shares

For Against Abstain Broker Non-Votes 296,736,777 6,580,359 1,360,580 37,645,187

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5 Advisory vote to approve the Company's named executive officer compensation:

Shares

For Against Abstain Broker Non-Votes 257,340,189 44,608,268 2,729,259 37,645,187

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.

STRYKER CORPORATION

(Registrant)

April 26, 2012 /s/ DEAN H. BERGY

Date Dean H. Bergy

Secretary