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Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year

(a) On March 7, 2014, Ceres, Inc. (the “Company”) held its 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the “Annual Meeting”). At the Annual Meeting, the stockholders approved an amendment (the “Charter Amendment”) to the Company’s Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to decrease the number of shares of authorized common stock of the Company from 490,000,000 to 240,000,000. The Company filed its Certificate of Amendment to the Company’s Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (the “Certificate”) with the Secretary of the State of the State of Delaware on March 11, 2014 with an effective date of March 11, 2014. The foregoing description of the Charter Amendment is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Certificate, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 3.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

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

There were present in person or by proxy at the Annual Meeting stockholders holding 20,773,927 shares of common stock of the Company, representing 82.4% of the 25,204,602 shares entitled to be voted at the Annual Meeting, thereby representing a quorum.

The final results for each of the matters considered at the Annual Meeting were as follows:

Proposal I: Election of Directors

Each of the nominees for director listed in the Proxy Statement were elected to serve until the Company’s 2017 Annual Meeting or until his successor is elected and has been qualified or his earlier resignation or removal, by the votes set forth in the table below.

DIRECTOR NOMINEE FOR	WITHHELD	BROKER NON-VOTE
Richard Flavell	13,814,779	262,066
Richard Hamilton	14,035,623	41,222
		6,697,082

Proposal II: Approval of an Amendment to the Company’s Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to Decrease the Number of Shares of Authorized Common Stock

FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	BROKER NON-VOTE
14,007,365	65,650	3,830	6,697,082

Proposal III: Ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm of the Company for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2014

FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	BROKER NON-VOTE
20,608,561	161,393	3,973	0

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

3.1 Certificate of Amendment to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Ceres, Inc. filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on March 11, 2014 and effective as of March 11, 2014.

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.

CERES, INC.

Date: March 11, 2014 By: /s/ Paul Kuc

Name: Paul Kuc

Title: Chief Financial Officer

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