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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 (Date of earliest event reported): 07/22/2010

Dynavax Technologies Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 001-34207

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 33-0728374 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

2929 Seventh Street, Suite 100

Berkeley, CA 94710-2753 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(510) 848-5100

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

| | Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions: | | |
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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On July 22, 2010, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Dynavax Technologies Corporation ("Dynavax" or the "Company") elected Daniel Kisner, M.D. as a Class II director to serve until the 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. In the Corporate Governance Agreement, dated as of December 30, 2009, between the Company and Symphony Dynamo Holdings LLC ("Holdings"), the Company agreed to nominate and use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause to be elected and cause to remain as a director on the Board one (1) independent director acceptable to both Holdings and Dynavax. Dr. Kisner is such designee. Pursuant to the terms of an offer letter between Dynavax and Dr. Kisner and the compensation policies of Dynavax with respect to outside directors, Dr. Kisner received the following as of his date of election:

- 1. Pursuant to the Dynavax 2004 Non-Employee Directors' Option Plan (the "Directors' Plan"), Dr. Kisner was granted an initial non-qualified stock option to purchase 20,000 shares of Dynavax common stock, with an exercise price equal to the fair market value on the date of grant, vesting over four years in equal annual installments;
- 2. Pursuant to the Directors' Plan, Dr. Kisner will be eligible to receive a non-qualified option to purchase up to an additional 10,000 shares of Dynavax common stock at each annual meeting of Dynavax's stockholders (with respect to the first such grant, the option will be pro-rated such that the fraction of such 10,000 shares shall equal the fraction of the year that he serves until the 2011 annual meeting), with an exercise price equal to the fair market value on the date of grant, vesting on the first anniversary of the grant; and
- 3. Dr. Kisner will receive an annual retainer of \$20,000, payable in equal quarterly installments in arrears, \$2,000 for each Board meeting attended in person and \$500 for each Board meeting attended by telephone.

A copy of the press release relating to Dr. Kisner's appointment is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release, dated July 22, 2010, titled "Dynavax Appoints Daniel Kisner, M.D. to Board of Directors".

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.

Dynavax Technologies Corporation

Date: July 22, 2010 By: /s/ Jennifer Lew

Jennifer Lew Vice President, Finance

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