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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) May 28, 2015

The First Bancshares, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Mississippi 33-94288 64-0862173

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

6480 U.S. Hwy 98 West, Hattiesburg, MS 39402

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (601) 268-8998

N/A

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

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

On May 28, 2015, the Company held its regular Annual Shareholders' Meeting. Five items were voted on at the meeting. As of the record date, there were 5,372,120 shares entitled to vote, of which 4,417,605 shares, or 82.23%, were voted in person or by proxy at the Annual meeting. Results are set forth below:

Item 1. Election of Directors

The shareholders elected two directors to serve three year terms expiring at the 2018 annual meeting as summarized below:

<u>Directors Elected</u> <u>Votes For Votes Witheld Broker Non- Votes</u>

Class II (three year term)

Charles R. Lightsey 3,767,709 16,819 633,077

Andrew D. Stetelman 3,768,052 16,476 633,077

Item 2. Approval of Amendment to The First Bancshares, Inc. 2007 Stock Incentive Plan

Votes For Votes Against Abstained Broker Non-Votes

3,459,380 316,701 8,447 633,077

<u>Item 3. Approval of Amendment of the Company's Articles of Incorporation to Increase the Authorized Common Stock</u>

<u>Votes For</u> <u>Votes Against</u> <u>Abstained</u> <u>Broker Non-Votes</u>

4,098,093 292,006 10,853 16,653

Item 4. Approval of Appointment of T. E. Lott & Company as Independent Public Accountants

Votes For Votes Against Abstained

4,410,961 1,998 4,646

Item 5. Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

<u>Votes For Votes Against Abstained Broker Non-Votes</u>

3,698,812 66,979 18,737 633,077

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

The First Bancshares, Inc. (Registrant)

Date: June 1, 2015

/s/ Dee Dee Lowery

Name: Dee Dee Lowery Title: EVP and CFO