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#### DENNY'S CORPORATION

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

OAK STREET CAPITAL MASTER FUND, LTD.
OAK STREET CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC
DAVID MAKULA
PATRICK WALSH
DASH ACQUISITIONS LLC
JONATHAN DASH
SOUNDPOST CAPITAL, LP
SOUNDPOST CAPITAL OFFSHORE, LTD.
SOUNDPOST ADVISORS, LLC
SOUNDPOST PARTNERS, LP
SOUNDPOST INVESTMENTS, LLC
JAIME LESTER
LYRICAL OPPORTUNITY PARTNERS II, L.P.
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LYRICAL CORP III, LLC
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MURANO HOLDINGS, LLC
MURANO GROUP LLC

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# JAY THOMSON TONY C. LAI PATRICK H. ARBOR

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The following timelines were prepared for use in a meeting between Institutional Shareholder Services ("ISS") and Dash Acquisitions, LLC.

# **DECEMBER 1, 2005** Sardar Biglari, Phillip L. Cooley, Ph.D. and Paul D Sonkin are elected to the Board.

New Board composition after December 1, 2005 (11 directors):

Paul C. Schorr, III (Chairman)

Roger D. Sack

Jones Yorke

Titus W. Greene

J. Alan Cowart

Thomas M. Hontzas

Jesse M. Harrington, III

Petros Vezertzis

Phillip L. Cooley

Paul D. Sonkin

Sardar Biglari

# MARCH 30, 2006

Jonathan Dash is elected to the Board.

## **AUGUST 3,**

**2006** - Thomas M. Hontzas resigns from the Board.

## **MARCH 22, 2006**

Sardar Biglari appointed Chairman of the Board Salary/Comp \$0

## **NOVEMBER 28, 2007**

Martin S. Fridson is elected to the Board.

New Board composition after November 28, 2007 (6 directors):

Titus W. Greene

Phillip L. Cooley

Jonathan Dash

Sardar Biglari

Kenneth R. Cooper

Martin S. Fridson

# **Director Compensation:**

Sardar Biglari -\$13,500

Jonathan Dash - \$11,000

# MARCH 30, 2010 Merger agreement with Steak n Shake

approved

# **DECEMBER** 1, 2005

Stanley L. Bozeman, Jr. resigns.

## FEBRUARY 15, 2006 -

Petros Vezertzis and J. Alan Cowart advise the Company they will not stand for reelection when their current terms expire.

MARCH 21, 2006 - Paul C. Schorr, III, A. Jones Yorke, Roger D. Sack, Jesse M. Harrington, III, Petros Vezertzis and J. Alan Cowart resigned as directors. Additionally, Paul D. Sonkin advised the Company that he will not stand for reelection when his current term expires.

New Board composition after March 21, 2006 (5 directors):

Titus W. Greene

Thomas M. Hontzas

Phillip L. Cooley

Paul D. Sonkin

Sardar Biglari

### **Director**

## **Compensation:**

Sardar Biglari -\$13,000

Jonathan Dash - \$14,300

# **FEBRUARY**

28, 2007

Kenneth R.

Cooper is

elected to

the Board.

#### **Director**

## **Compensation:**

Sardar Biglari -\$14,000

Jonathan Dash - \$11,000

Western Sizzlin

# APRIL 4,

2005

Initial 13D

filed (under

the name

Shawn

May 16, 2007 -Sardar Biglari

appointed

President

and CEO

## **AUGUST 13,**

**2007** Peter

M. Dunn

resigns

# **AUGUST 17, 2007**

Initial

Sardar

Biglari

13D filed

MARCH 7, 2008 Following the proxy contest, Sardar Biglari and Philip L. Cooley were elected to the Board. Alan B. Gilman and James Williamson, Jr. were not reelected to the Board. New Board composition after March 7, 2008 (9 directors):

Wayne L. Kelley

Ruth J. Person

John W. Ryan

Steven M. Schmidt

Edward W. Wilhelm

Geoffrey Ballotti

Fred Risk

Sardar Biglari

Philip L. Cooley

**JUNE 19,** 

**2008** The

Board

appoints

Sardar

Biglari as

Chairman of

the Board.

## **NOVEMBER 10,**

**2008** William Regan is appointed to the

Board. Geoffrey

Ballotti resigns

from the Board.

# JANUARY **8, 2009**

Fred Risk decides not to stand for reelection.

# MARCH 16, 2009

Edward W. Wilhelm and Steven M. Schmidt decide not to stand for reelection.

## September 25,

**2008** Jonathan Dash hired as a consultant

# March 5, 2010

Jonathan

Dash

ceases to

be a

consultant

# **MARCH 22, 2009**

Wayne L. Kelley resigns from the Board.
New Board composition following the annual meeting held on April 24, 2009 (5

Ruth J. Person

directors):

John W. Ryan

Sardar Biglari

Philip L. Cooley

William Regan

# **NOVEMBER 16, 2009**

Jonathan

Dash, Dash

Acquisitions

cease to be

members of

the Section

13(d) group.

# **MARCH 30, 2010**

Merger agreement with Western Sizzlin approved

# April 9, 2010

Company name

manne

changes

to Biglari

Holdings

Steak n Shake

# June 4, 2008

Jonathan

Dash, Dash

Acquisitions

become

members of

the Section

13(d) group.