

HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA INC  
Form 8-K  
May 20, 2011

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 of 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: May 18, 2011  
(Date of earliest event reported)

Heartland Financial USA, Inc.  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-24724  
(Commission File Number)

42-1405748  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

1398 Central Avenue, Dubuque, Iowa  
(Address of principal executive offices)

52001  
(Zip Code)

(563) 589-2100  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



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

Heartland Financial USA, Inc. held its annual meeting of stockholders in Dubuque, Iowa, on May 18, 2011. At the meeting, James F. Conlan and Thomas L. Flynn were elected to serve as Class III directors (term expires in 2014). Continuing as Class I directors (term expires in 2012) are John W. Cox, Jr. and Lynn B. Fuller. Continuing as Class II directors (term expires in 2013) are Mark C. Falb, James R. Hill and John K. Schmidt. Additionally, the stockholders ratified the appointment of KPMG LLP as Heartland's independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2011, and approved a non-binding advisory proposal on compensation to Heartland's executive officers as described in the 2011 proxy statement.

There were 16,418,226.652 issued and outstanding shares of common stock entitled to vote at the annual meeting, of which 14,103,883.309 shares were present in person or by proxy, representing approximately 85.9% of the total issued and outstanding shares entitled to vote. The voting results on the above described matters were as follows:

		For	Withheld	Broker Non-Votes
James F. Conlan		11,977,931.570	258,772.739	4,181,522.343
Thomas L. Flynn		12,054,559.071	182,145.238	4,181,522.343
				Broker Non-Votes
Appointment of KPMG LLP	For	Against	Abstain	2,314,343.343
	14,003,744.029	45,123.346	55,015.934	
				Broker Non-Votes
Approve compensation of executives	For	Against	Abstain	4,218,131.343
	11,889,195.246	232,787.559	78,112.504	

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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.

Date: May 20, 2011

HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA, INC.

By: /s/ John K. Schmidt  
John K. Schmidt  
Executive Vice President, COO &  
CFO