

Blickensdoerfer Hans-Martin  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Blickensdoerfer Hans-Martin

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 STAAR SURGICAL CO [STAA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1911 WALKER AVENUE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/15/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

VP, International Marketing

MONROVIA, CA 91016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount (A) or (D) Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 03/15/2011                           |  | A                              |   | 7,500 <sup>(1)</sup><br>\$ 0  | 205,600 <sup>(2)</sup>                                   | D                                 |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |        |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|--------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                      |        |
| Common Stock Options                       | \$ 5.49  | 03/15/2011                           |  | A                              | 20,000  | <u>(3)</u>   | 03/14/2021  | Common Stock               | 20,000 |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                             |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                     | Other |
| Blickensdoerfer Hans-Martin<br>1911 WALKER AVENUE<br>MONROVIA, CA 91016 |               |           | VP, International Marketing |       |

## Signatures

Charles Kaufman as Attorney-in-fact for Hans-Martin  
Blickensdoerfer

03/17/2011

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Performance Accelerated Restricted Shares of Common Stock (PARS), subject to forfeiture and vesting in a single installment on March 15, 2014, but subject to accelerated vesting as to 1/3 of the shares each year pursuant to achievement of certain performance criteria.
- (2) Includes 7,500 PARS subject to forfeiture and vesting on March 15, 2014, 6,000 restricted shares subject to forfeiture and vesting on March 2, 2012, and options to purchase 135,000 shares of Common Stock exercisable on or before June 2, 2011
- (3) The options first become exercisable as follows: 6,667 shares on 3/15/12, 6,667 shares on 3/15/13 and 6,666 shares on 3/15/14.

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