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2015 Hospitality & Leisure Corporate Governance Snapshot

Introduction

Spencer Stuart is pleased to present this year's *Hospitality & Leisure Corporate Governance Snapshot*, highlighting the latest data and trends in board composition, board practices and director compensation for 18 U.S. hospitality and leisure companies. In addition, we examine how hospitality companies compare to the broader S&P 500 index. Our analysis is based on the most recent proxy statements filed as of May 15, 2015, from the following companies:

- > Carnival Corporation
- > Chipotle Mexican Grill
- > Darden Restaurants
- > Expedia
- > Marriott International
- > McDonald's Corporation
- > Royal Caribbean Cruises
- > Starbucks Corporation
- > Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide¹
- > The Priceline Group
- > TripAdvisor
- > Wyndham Worldwide Corporation
- > Yum! Brands
- > Caesars Entertainment Corporation
- > Hilton Worldwide
- > Host Hotels & Resorts
- > Hyatt Hotels Corporation
- > Wynn Resorts

^{&#}x27; In November 2015, Marriott International announced that it planned to acquire Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide.

Director Recruiting and Board Composition

Hospitality and leisure company boards have 10.2 members on average, roughly the same size as S&P 500 company boards, which have an average of 10.8 members. Independent directors represent 74% of all directors on hospitality and leisure company boards, compared with 84% of S&P 500 directors.

INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS



The average age of hospitality and leisure independent directors is 61.5, almost two years younger than the S&P 500 average, 63.1. The youngest hospitality board has an average age of 46.3 (TripAdvisor) and the oldest has an average age of 67 (Wynn Resorts). The oldest average board age among S&P 500 companies is 75.

The average tenure of hospitality company boards is slightly longer than the S&P 500 average, 8.9 years versus 8.5. The longest average tenure is 13.2 years (McDonald's) and the shortest is 2.8 years (TripAdvisor). Three of the four companies with the shortest board tenure went public since 2011 and the fourth went public in 2009.

FEMALE DIRECTORS

89% of hospitality & leisure boards have at least one female director – down by five percentage points from last year.



Number of women directors

NEW DIRECTORS

Six new independent directors were added during the 2015 proxy year.

Half of the new independent directors on hospitality company boards are women, compared with 31% of new independent directors on S&P 500 boards.

New director profiles

Employment Status:

- > the 3 new male directors are retired
- > the 3 new female directors are active executives

Industry Backgrounds:

- > 2 high tech/telecommunications
- > 2 consumer goods & services
- > 1 financial services
- > 1 non-for-profit/academics

BOARD LEADERSHIP

67% of hospitality company boards have a separate chairman and CEO, compared with 48% of S&P 500 boards. Three companies have an independent chairman and do not have a lead or presiding director.

61% have a lead or presiding director, versus 98% of the S&P 500.

Eleven hospitality company boards have lead or presiding directors. Among companies where the CEO is also the chairman, all but one have either a lead or presiding director.

Board Organization and Processes



ANNUAL DIRECTOR ELECTIONS

83% of hospitality company boards have annual director elections, and the remaining 17% have three-year terms. The average term length is 1.3 years.



BOARD MEETINGS

Hospitality company boards met an average of 7.4 times, compared with the S&P 500 average of 8.1.



MANDATORY RETIREMENT

Only 50% of hospitality company boards report having a mandatory retirement age compared with 73% of S&P 500 companies.



Among those that do, four (44%) set their retirement age at 75 and another four set it at 72. One company has a mandatory retirement age of 73.

Compensation

TOTAL DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

The total average per-director compensation for hospitality company directors is \$258,992, 7% less than the S&P 500 average of \$277,237. Half of hospitality companies pay directors between \$200,000 and \$250,000.



Nearly 60% of average director compensation comes in the form of stock awards or option grants. When looking at individual companies, stock grants represent as much as 78% of director compensation, while some companies do not provide stock grants at all. Three companies provide stock options. Cash compensation represents as much as 100% of director compensation at individual companies and as little as 4%.



BREAKDOWN OF DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

² Includes, for example, insurance premiums, charitable award programs and incremental cost to company of products provided.

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