BARNES & NOBLE INC Form 8-K August 03, 2010

## 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): August 3, 2010 (August 3, 2010)

BARNES & NOBLE, INC. (Exact name of registrant as

specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-12302 06-1196501

(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

incorporation)

122 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)
10011
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 633-3300

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

Press Release

On August 3, 2010, Barnes & Noble, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the Board of Directors' intention to evaluate strategic alternatives, including a possible sale of the Company. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference into this Item 8.01.

Annual Meeting of Stockholders

The Company confirms that, as previously disclosed, its annual meeting of stockholders is scheduled to be held on September 28, 2010.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) The following exhibit is filed as a part of this report.

Exhibit No. Description
99.1 Press Release of Barnes & Noble, Inc., dated August 3, 2010.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

BARNES & NOBLE, INC.,

Date: August 3, 2010 By: /s/ Joseph J. Lombardi

Name: Joseph J. Lombardi Title: Chief Financial Officer

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