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): March 28, 2017 (March 23, 2017)

SLM CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-13251 (Commission File Number) 52-2013874 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

300 Continental Drive, Newark, Delaware (Address of principal executive offices) 19713 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (302) 451-0200

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On March 23, 2017, Ronald F. Hunt, a director of SLM Corporation (the "Company"), notified the Company he will not stand for re-election to the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") at the Company's next annual meeting of stockholders to be held in June 2017. Mr. Hunt will continue to serve as a director until such meeting. His decision to not stand for re-election to the Board is solely for personal reasons and time considerations and did not involve any disagreement with the Company's management or the Board.

In connection with Mr. Hunt's decision not to stand for re-election, on March 24, 2017, the Board adopted a resolution decreasing the size of the Board from 13 directors to 12 directors, effective as of the end of Mr. Hunt's term.

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.

SLM CORPORATION

Date: March 28, 2017 By: <u>/s/ LAURENT C. LUTZ</u>

Laurent C. Lutz Executive Vice President, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary