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Form 8-K January 05, 2012

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): January 5, 2012 (January 3, 2012)

Company Name

Signature Group Holdings, Inc.

Nevada 001-08007 95-2815260

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

Incorporation)

15303 Ventura Blvd., Suite 1600
Sherman Oaks, CA
(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (805) 409 - 4340

175 North Riverview Drive Anaheim, CA 92808

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

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Section 8.01 – Other Events

As previously reported, the Board of Directors of Signature Group Holdings, Inc., approved an independent (non-management) director compensation program, effective June 11, 2010, which includes annual grants of restricted shares of common stock of the Company (SGGH) on the first business day of each calendar year, which grants shall have an aggregate annual value of \$75,000 per independent director.

Pursuant to this independent director compensation program, on January 3, 2012, each of the six independent members of the Board of Directors identified below was issued 277,778 restricted shares of common stock of the Company (SGGH), valued based on the \$0.27 closing price on December 31, 2011 as reported on the OTC Bulletin Board. These restricted shares shall vest on January 1, 2013, subject to immediate vesting in the event of a Change in Control as defined by the Company's 2006 Performance Incentive Plan. The total number of restricted shares of common stock of the Company issued on January 3, 2012 was 1,666,668, which had an aggregate value of \$450,000.

The independent (non-management) directors are:

John Nickoll - Chairman of the Board Deborah Midanek Patrick E. Lamb Steven Gidumal John Koral Robert Schwab

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.

Signature Group Holdings, Inc.

Date: January 5, 2012 By:/s/David N. Brody

Name: David N. Brody

Title: Sr. Vice President, Counsel & Secretary