UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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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 21, 2019

SALEM MEDIA GROUP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)



Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 000-26497 (Commission File Number) 77-0121400 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

4880 Santa Rosa Road, Camarillo, California (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 93012 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (805) 987-0400

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934(§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company \Box

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box

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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 19, 2019, Salem Media Group, Inc. ("Salem") appointed Heather Grizzle to the Salem's Board of Directors, effective March 19, 2019. Ms. Grizzle succeeds Roland Hinz who retired from his position as a board member on December 12, 2018. The Board of Directors appointed Ms. Grizzle to serve the remainder of Mr. Hinz's term, which expires at the Salem's 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Ms. Grizzle will stand for election to serve a full term on the Board of Directors at the 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

There is no arrangement or understanding between Ms. Grizzle and any other person pursuant to which Ms. Grizzle was selected as a director, and she has no direct or indirect material interest in any transaction required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404(a) of SEC Regulation S-K.

Ms. Grizzle is expected to serve on the Board's Nominating and Corporate Governance committee as well as any other committees that she is selected for and agrees to serve upon as determined by the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting on May 8, 2019.

Salem shall compensate Ms. Grizzle for her service as a member of the Board in the same manner as provided for all of Salem'snon-employee Board members as disclosed in Salem's proxy statement filed on March 29, 2018.

Ms. Grizzle is a founding partner of Causeway Strategies, a boutique consulting firm that helps individuals, organizations and corporations to communicate, connect and advance their objectives more effectively. Her background includes work in the White House and the U.S. House of Representatives, as well as corporate communications in New York and charity sector communications in London. She graduated cum laude with high honors in Economics from Harvard University, where she was Co-President of the Institute of Politics. Ms. Grizzle is Vice Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of Stewardship, and a member of the Boards of Innovations for Poverty Action, Alpha USA, KidsMatter, and CharityVest.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release dated March 21, 2019.

SIGNATURE

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.

SALEM MEDIA GROUP, INC.

Date: March 21, 2019

By: /s/Christopher J. Henderson Christopher J. Henderson

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Salem Media Group, Inc.'s Appointment of Heather Grizzle to the Board of Directors

CAMARILLO, Calif. (BUSINESS WIRE) — <u>Salem Media Group, Inc.</u> (Nasdaq: SALM) announced the appointment of Heather Grizzle to its Board of Directors, effective March 19, 2019. Ms. Grizzle succeeds Roland Hinz who retired from his position as a board member on December 12, 2018. The Board of Directors appointed Ms. Grizzle to serve the remainder of Mr. Hinz's term, which expires at the Company's 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Ms. Grizzle will stand for election to serve a full term on the Board of Directors at the 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Salem Media Group's Chief Executive Officer, Edward G. Atsinger III, offered the following comment on this Board appointment: "I am delighted that Heather Grizzle has agreed to serve on Salem's Board of Directors. Any shareholder who will take the time to review Ms. Grizzle's background further, much of which is readily available online, will quickly come to appreciate what a tremendous resource she will be to Salem Media Group as a member of its Board of Directors. My special thanks to Jon Venverloh who chairs our Nominating and Governance Committee for his dedicated leadership in finding the right person to fill this Board vacancy, and my thanks to Mr. Hinz whose years of service on the board contributed significantly to the growth of Salem since going public in '99."

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