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Form 8-K January 07, 2016 **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, 2016 Commission file number 1-13163 YUM! BRANDS, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) North Carolina 13-3951308 (State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer incorporation or organization) Identification No.) 1441 Gardiner Lane, Louisville, Kentucky 40213 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (502) 874-8300 Former name or former address, if changed since last report: N/A 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: [] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) [] Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

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Section 5 - Corporate Governance and Management

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

On January 5, 2016 YUM! Brands, Inc. ("Yum" or the "Company") announced that David C. Novak, 63, plans to retire as the Company's Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors (the "Board") effective at the Company's May 20, 2016 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, and to step down from the Company's Board at that time. The Board plans to appoint a Non-Executive Chairman from among its members and will announce that appointment at the Company's annual shareholder meeting. Yum issued a press release on January 5, 2016 announcing Mr. Novak's impending retirement. The full text of the release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

YUM! BRANDS, INC. (Registrant)

Date: January 7, 2016 /s/ John P. Daly

Vice President and Associate General Counsel