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): April 25, 2022

INTERNATIONAL STEM CELL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 000-51891 (Commission File Number) 20-4494098 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

9745 Businesspark Ave, San Diego, California 92131 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(760) 940-6383 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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: 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 CAR 240.13e-4(c)) Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: **Trading** Name of each exchange Title of each class Symbol(s) on which registered N/A N/A None 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 \square 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

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

On April 25, 2022, International Stem Cell Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company") appointed Dr. Russell Kern as its principal financial officer effective immediately. In connection with the appointment, the Company granted Dr. Kern options to purchase 1,000,000 shares of common stock and increased his salary to \$130,000 per year.

Dr. Kern, age 36, has been serving, and will continue to serve, as the Company's Executive Vice President and Chief Scientific Officer. Biographical information about Dr. Kern (including his business experience and family relationships) and information about related person transactions is included in the Company's definitive Proxy Statement for its 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which was recently filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, under the headings "Director Nominees" and "Related Person Transactions" and is incorporated by reference herein.

Signature(s)

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.

INTERNATIONAL STEM CELL CORPORATION

Date: April 29, 2022 By: /s/ Russell Kern

Russell Kem EVP and Chief Scientific Officer (principal financial officer)