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## 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 3, 2012

#### PHOTRONICS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Connecticut 0-15451 06-0854886 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification Number)

15 Secor Road, Brookfield, CT 06804 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, including area code (203) 775-9000

(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:

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

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### **Item 5.02(d) Election of Directors**

On January 5, 2012 Photronics announced the appointment of Dr. Liang-Choo Hsia to the Board of Directors. Dr. Hsia was elected to the Board of Directors of Photronics, Inc. on January 3, 2012. Dr. Hsia will be a member of the Nominating Committee as well as Chairman of the newly formed Strategy and Technology Committee. Dr. Hsia will receive an annual retainer of \$30,000 as well as 8,000 shares of restricted stock of Photronics, Inc. and 12,000 options to purchase shares of Photronics, Inc. Dr. Hsia will also receive \$15,000 for being Chairman of the Strategy and Technology Committee and \$5,000 for being on the Nominating Committee.

A copy of the press release announcing Dr. Hsia's appointment is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

### **Item 9.01**. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits
  - 99.1 Press Release dated January 5, 2012.

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### **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.

PHOTRONICS, INC.

(Registrant)

DATE: January 9, 2012

BY /s/ Richelle E. Burr
Richelle E. Burr
Vice President, General Counsel

PHOTRONICS, INC.