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IRWIN FINANCIAL CORP Form 8-K December 17, 2004

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): December 17, 2004

IRWIN FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

INDIANA 0-6835 35-1286807

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

500 Washington Street

Columbus, Indiana 47201

(Address of principal executive offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (812) 376-1909

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ITEM 1.01. ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

On December 16, 2004, the Board of Directors of Irwin Financial Corporation approved certain changes to director retainer and meeting fees for Board and Board Committee participation, effective January 1, 2005. The changes will:

♦ Increase the annual retainer fees for Committee Chairs to:

Compensation Committee

\$ 7,0

Governance Committee

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Audit & Risk Management Committee

\$12,0

♦ Eliminate the per-meeting fees Committee Chairs currently receive for acting in that capacity. Committee Chairs will continue to receive a \$1,000 per-meeting fee for service as a member of a Committee.

The Board also approved a change recommended by the Governance Committee earlier in the year, which raised the annual cash retainer fee paid to each Board member to \$30,000.

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.

IRWIN FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Registrant)

Date: December 17, 2004 By: /s/ Gregory F. Ehlinger

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GREGORY F. EHLINGER Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer