#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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): March 19, 2020

#### GENIUS BRANDS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada

(State or other jurisdiction of Incorporation or organization)

000-54389

(Commission File Number)

20-4118216

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

**90210** (Zip Code)

190 N. Canon Drive, 4<sup>th</sup> Fl. Beverly Hills, CA

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (310) 273-4222	
(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 p	rovisions kee
General Instruction A.2. below):	

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

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

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	GNUS	The Nasdaq Capital Market

240.14d-2(b))

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

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.

## ITEM 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangement of Certain Officers.

Resignation of Director

On March 19, 2020, Bernard Cahill, due to personal reasons, decided he could no longer maintain his position as a member of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Genius Brands International, Inc. (the "Company") and as a member of the Audit Committee of the Board, and departed effective as of that date. Mr. Cahill's departure was not as a result of any disagreement with the Company on any matters related to the Company's operations, policies or practices.

In connection with Mr. Cahill's resignation, effective as of March 19, 2020, the Board selected Michael Klein, a member of the Board, to replace Mr. Cahill as a member of the Audit Committee of the Board. In addition, effective as of March 19, 2020, the Board selected Joseph "Gray" Davis, a member of the Board, and Mr. Klein to serve as members of the Nominating Committee of the Board.

## 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 thereunto duly authorized.

# GENIUS BRANDS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

By: /s/ Andrew Heyward
Name: Andrew Heyward
Title: Chief Executive Officer

Date: March 20, 2020