

ROSS STORES INC
Form DEFA14A
April 03, 2012

SCHEDULE 14A

(Rule 14a-101)

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROXY STATEMENT

SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.)

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Ross Stores, Inc.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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***** Exercise Your Right to Vote *****
**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the
Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on May 16, 2012.**

ROSS STORES, INC.

Meeting Information

Meeting Type: Annual Meeting

For holders as of: March 20, 2012

Date: May 16, 2012 Time: 1:00 p.m. PDT

Location: Ross Stores, Inc.
4440 Rosewood Drive
Pleasanton, California 94588

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the above named company.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at www.proxyvote.com or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.

Voting Items

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following:

1. To elect three Class II Directors for a one-year term as proposed in the accompanying Proxy Statement

Nominees:

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| 01) | Michael Balmuth |
| 02) | K. Gunnar Bjorklund |
| 03) | Sharon D. Garrett |

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposals:

2. Advisory vote to approve the resolution on the compensation of the named executive officers.
3. To ratify the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending February 2, 2013.

The Board of Directors recommends you vote AGAINST the following proposal:

4. Stockholder proposal by the Sheet Metal Workers' National Pension Fund, if properly presented at the Meeting.

NOTE: Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

Voting Instructions
