UNITED BANKSHARES INC/WV Form 8-K February 26, 2014

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):

February 20, 2014

United Bankshares, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

West Virginia (State or other jurisdiction of No. 0-13322 (Commission 55-0641179 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

File Number) 300 United Center **Identification No.)**

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500 Virginia Street, East

Charleston, West Virginia 25301

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(304) 424-8800

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or address, if changed since last report)

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

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

United Bankshares, Inc. (the Company) entered into an employment contract with Richard M. Adams, the Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer of the Company effective February 28, 2011. The original term of Mr. Adams employment contract was for three years, with the provision that the contract could be extended annually for one (1) year to maintain a rolling three (3) year contract.

At the Compensation Committee (the Committee) of the Company on February 24, 2014, the Committee approved the extension of the employment contract with Mr. Adams for an additional year until March 31, 2017.

Item 8.01. Other Events

On February 20, 2014, the Company sold a former branch building for approximately \$11.1 million and recognized a before-tax gain of approximately \$8.9 million.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

UNITED BANKSHARES, INC.

Date: February 26, 2014

By: /s/ Steven E. Wilson Steven E. Wilson, Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer