KADANT INC Form 8-K April 26, 2012

#### 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): April 25, 2012

KADANT INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

1-11406

(Commission File Number)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

One Technology Park Drive Westford, Massachusetts (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 52-1762325 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

> 01886 (Zip Code)

(978) 776-2000 Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 25, 2012, Kadant Inc. (the "Company") announced its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2012. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is furnished as Exhibit 99 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99) shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibit

The following exhibit relating to Item 2.02 shall be deemed to be furnished and not filed.

Exhibit<br/>NoDescription of Exhibit99Press Release issued by the Company on April 25, 2012

#### SIGNATURE

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.

### KADANT INC.

Date: April 25, 2012

By /s/ Thomas M. O'Brien Thomas M. O'Brien Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer