

SEACOAST BANKING CORP OF FLORIDA

Form 425

November 04, 2016

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): November 4, 2016

SEACOAST BANKING CORPORATION OF FLORIDA

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Florida

000-13660

59-2260678

**(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)**

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

815 Colorado Avenue, Stuart, Florida 34994

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (772) 287-4000

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

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On November 4, 2016, Seacoast Banking Corporation of Florida, a Florida corporation (“Seacoast”), issued a press release announcing that Seacoast entered into a definitive agreement to acquire GulfShore Bancshares, Inc. (“GulfShore”), the parent company of GulfShore Bank (the “Merger”). A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

In connection with the Merger, Seacoast and GulfShore jointly released an employee communication on November 4, 2016. A copy of the employee communication is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 and incorporated herein by reference.

Additionally, Seacoast intends to make available to investors the presentation related to the Merger attached hereto as Exhibit 99.3, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d)Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release issued by Seacoast Banking Corporation of Florida on November 4, 2016, with respect to the announcement of the Merger.
99.2	Employee communication issued by Seacoast Banking Corporation of Florida and GulfShore Bancshares, Inc. related to the Merger on November 4, 2016.
99.3	Investor presentation issued by Seacoast Banking Corporation of Florida on November 4, 2016.

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.

**SEACOAST BANKING
CORPORATION
OF FLORIDA**

By: /s/ Dennis S. Hudson, III
Dennis S. Hudson, III
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Date: November 4, 2016