FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>FEHRENBACH FRED P</u>				D	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES</u> <u>INC</u> [DCOM]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
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(Street)				- 4.1	lf Ame	endmer	nt, Date	e of Original	Filed	(Month/D		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)							
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	ative Conversion Date Execution rity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Date,	Code (Instr.		n of I		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se	Price of erivative ecurity 1str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownershi (Instr. 4)
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Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$15.46								05/01/2012	2 0	4/29/2021	Common Stock	1,812	2		1,812		D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$12.75								05/01/2011(¹⁾ 0	4/30/2020	Common Stock	4,077	7		4,077	,	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$13.86								05/01/2013	3 0	4/30/2022	Common Stock	2,444	4		2,444		D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$13.16								02/01/2004	• 0	2/01/2013	Common Stock	7,500			7,500		D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$19.9								01/27/2005	5 0	1/27/2014	Common Stock	9,000			9,000		D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$16.45								01/27/2006	6 0	1/31/2015	Common Stock	8,480	D		8,480		D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$13.74								05/01/2008	8 0	5/01/2017	Common Stock	10,00	0		10,000	D	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$18.18								05/30/2009	0	5/30/2018	Common Stock	10,00	0		10,000	D	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$8.34								05/01/2010) 0	4/30/2019	Common Stock	8,868	3		8,868		D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Awards fully vest on or about May 1, 2011.

/s/ FRED P. FEHRENBACH 08/24/2012

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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