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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**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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**Potbelly Corporation**  
(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, 2019.**

**POTBELLY CORPORATION**

POTBELLY CORPORATION  
111 NORTH CANAL STREET  
SUITE 850  
CHICAGO, IL 60606

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**Meeting Information**

**Meeting Type:** Annual Meeting  
**For holders as of:** March 26, 2019  
**Date:** May 16, 2019      **Time:** 8:00 AM local time  
**Location:** Potbelly Corporation  
111 N. Canal Street 16th Floor  
Chicago, IL 60606

For directions, please contact our investor relations rep.,  
Ed Yuen (203) 428-3216 or eyuen@soleburyir.com

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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.**

**— Before You Vote —**  
How to Access the Proxy Materials

**Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:**

NOTICE AND PROXY STATEMENT

ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-K

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**— How To Vote —**

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

**Vote In Person:** Many shareholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

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**Vote By Mail:** You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.

**Voting Items**

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR each of the following nominees:**

1. Election of seven director nominees to serve on the Board of Directors.

**Nominees:**

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|--------------------------|----------------------|
| 01) Joe Boehm            | 05) Marla Gottschalk |
| 02) Susan Chapman-Hughes | 06) Alan Johnson     |
| 03) Sue Collyns          | 07) Ben Rosenzweig   |
| 04) Dan Ginsberg         |                      |

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

2. Ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP to serve as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 29, 2019.
3. A non-binding, advisory vote on a resolution to approve the 2018 compensation of the Company's named executive officers.

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote EVERY YEAR on the following proposal:**

4. A non-binding, advisory vote on the frequency of future advisory votes to approve named executive officer compensation.

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal:**

5. Approval of the Potbelly Corporation 2019 Long-Term Incentive Plan.

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

