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

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): October 19, 2018

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**KINDRED BIOSCIENCES, INC.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**001-36225**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**46-1160142**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**1555 Bayshore Highway, Suite 200, Burlingame, California 94010**  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

**(650) 701-7901**  
(Registrant's telephone number, include area code)

**N/A**  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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

On October 19, 2018, the board of directors (the "Board") of Kindred Biosciences, Inc. (the "Company") appointed Denise Bevers, to serve as President and Class III director of the Company, effective as of October 19, 2018, for a term expiring at the 2019 annual meeting of stockholders. As a result of Ms. Bevers's appointment, the authorized size of the Board was increased to seven members. There is no arrangement or understanding between Ms. Bevers and any other person pursuant to which Ms. Bevers was selected as a director. Richard Chin who was previously Chief Executive Officer, President and a director of the Company, will still continue serve as Chief Executive Officer and as a director of the Company.

Denise M. Bevers is one of the Company's co-founders and has served as our Chief Operating Officer since October 2012. On November 11, 2013, she was appointed as our Secretary. Ms. Bevers co-founded and served as the President and Chief Executive Officer of SD Scientific, Inc., a privately held, full-service medical affairs and communications company, from August 2005 to June 2013. She has over 20 years of human pharmaceutical and research experience and is an expert in clinical operations, medical affairs, and scientific communications. Ms. Bevers has managed dozens of human drug development programs from Phase I through Phase IV at pharmaceutical companies Elan Pharmaceuticals and Skyepharma, and at Quintiles, a contract research organization. She began her clinical research career in 1989 as the Division Lead of the Urology Department at Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation, a non-profit medical research foundation, where she was integral in implementing the policies and procedures for the organization's clinical research programs. Ms. Bevers earned an M.B.A. from Keller Graduate School of Management and a B.S. in Ecology, Behavior, and Evolution from the University of California San Diego, Revelle College.

In connection with Ms. Bevers's appointment as the Company's President, Ms. Bevers employment agreement is to be amended to: (i) to reflect her new title of President of the Company; (ii) increase her base annual compensation to \$430,500; and (iii) increase her target annual bonuses to 45% of her base salary. In addition, on October 22, 2018 (the "Grant Date"), the Company granted Ms. Bevers an option to purchase 75,000 shares of the Company's common stock, with a term of 10 years, which will vest and become exercisable as to 25% of the total number of shares on the first anniversary of the Grant Date and as to an additional 1/48th of the total number of shares on the same day of each of the 36 successive calendar months thereafter, such that the option will be fully vested on the fourth anniversary of the Grant Date, subject to Ms. Bevers remaining an employee of the Company. The option has an exercise price equal to the closing price of the Company's common stock on The NASDAQ Capital Market on the Grant Date.

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On October 23, 2018, the Company issued a press release announcing Ms. Bevers's promotion. A copy of the press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	<a href="#"><u>Kindred Biosciences, Inc. Press Release dated October 23, 2018.</u></a>

**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.

KINDRED BIOSCIENCES, INC.

Date: October 25, 2018

By: /s/ Wendy Wee  
Wendy Wee  
Chief Financial Officer

## Kindred Biosciences Elects Denise Bevers to its Board of Directors and Promotes Her to President

**San Francisco, CA (October 23, 2018)** -- Kindred Biosciences, Inc. (NASDAQ: KIN), a commercial-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on saving and improving the lives of pets, today announced that Denise Bevers, Co-Founder and Chief Operating Officer of KindredBio, has been elected to its Board of Directors and promoted to President.

Since co-founding KindredBio in 2012, Ms. Bevers has assumed increasing levels of responsibility and has been instrumental in growing KindredBio into one of the world's leading veterinary biopharmaceutical companies. In her expanded role as President, Ms. Bevers will be responsible for all operational functions. She will retain her title as COO and continue to oversee the commercial organization, including the launch of KindredBio's first product, **Mirataz**<sup>®</sup> (mirtazapine transdermal ointment).

"Denise is a remarkably talented leader and it is a pleasure to announce her well-deserved promotion and election to our Board. As KindredBio's Co-Founder, she has been critical in our successes, including our recent transition to a commercial-stage company, and in our mission to transform veterinary medicine. I would like to personally thank her for her partnership and tireless dedication as we steer KindredBio toward even greater heights," said Richard Chin, Chief Executive Officer of KindredBio.

Ms. Bevers is an experienced pharmaceutical executive with a distinguished career in clinical operations, medical affairs, and scientific communications. With over 20 years of pharmaceutical and research experience, she has successfully managed dozens of product launches and development programs from Phase I through Phase IV. Ms. Bevers previously held leadership positions at Elan Pharmaceuticals, Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation, Quintiles, and SkyePharma. Prior to co-founding KindredBio, she was President and Founding Partner of SD Scientific, a full-service medical affairs and communications company.

"I am honored to be appointed to the Board and promoted to President, and I look forward to furthering KindredBio's mission of bringing the best of the best human medications to pets," said Ms. Bevers. "I am incredibly energized to continue to advance our deep pipeline of novel drugs and biologics in development, and lead KindredBio to its next phase of growth."

### Important Safety Information

Mirataz<sup>®</sup> (mirtazapine transdermal ointment) is for topical use in cats only under veterinary supervision. Do not use in cats with a known hypersensitivity to mirtazapine or any of the excipients or in cats treated with monoamine oxidase inhibitors (MAOIs). Not for human use. Keep out of reach of children. Wear gloves to apply and wash hands after. Avoid contact with treated cat for 2 hours following application. The most common adverse reactions include application site reactions, behavioral abnormalities (vocalization and hyperactivity) and vomiting. Please see the full [Prescribing Information](#).

### About Kindred Biosciences

Kindred Biosciences is a commercial-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on saving and improving the lives of pets. Its mission is to bring to pets the same kinds of safe and effective medicines that human family members enjoy. The Company's strategy is to identify compounds and targets that have already demonstrated safety and efficacy in humans and to develop therapeutics based on these validated compounds and targets for dogs, cats and horses. The Company has a deep pipeline of novel drugs and biologics in development across many therapeutic classes. KindredBio's first approved drug is **Mirataz**<sup>®</sup> (mirtazapine transdermal ointment) for the management of weight loss in cats.

For more information or to download the corporate presentation, visit [www.KindredBio.com/LearnMore](http://www.KindredBio.com/LearnMore). Stay connected with KindredBio on Facebook at [www.Facebook.com/KindredBio](http://www.Facebook.com/KindredBio).

### Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements contained in this press release that do not relate to matters of historical fact should be considered forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to, statements regarding our

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expectations about the trials, regulatory approval, manufacturing, distribution and commercialization of our current and future product candidates, and statements regarding our anticipated revenues, expenses, margins, profits and use of cash.

These forward-looking statements are based on our current expectations. These statements are not promises or guarantees, but involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other important factors that may cause our actual results to be materially different from any future results expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. These risks include, but are not limited to, the following: our limited operating history and expectations of losses for the foreseeable future; the absence of significant revenue from our product candidates for the foreseeable future; our potential inability to obtain any necessary additional financing; our substantial dependence on the success of our lead product candidates, which may not be successfully commercialized even if they are approved for marketing; the effect of competition; our potential inability to obtain regulatory approval for our existing or future product candidates; our dependence on third parties to conduct some of our development activities; our dependence upon third-party manufacturers for supplies of our product candidates; uncertainties regarding the outcomes of trials regarding our product candidates; our potential failure to attract and retain senior management and key scientific personnel; uncertainty about our ability to develop a satisfactory sales organization; our significant costs of operating as a public company; our potential inability to obtain patent protection and other intellectual property protection for our product candidates; potential claims by third parties alleging our infringement of their patents and other intellectual property rights; our potential failure to comply with regulatory requirements, which are subject to change on an ongoing basis; the potential volatility of our stock price; and the significant control over our business by our principal stockholders and management.

For a further description of these risks and other risks that we face, please see the risk factors described in our filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC), including the risk factors discussed under the caption "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and any subsequent updates that may be contained in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC. As a result of the risks described above and in our filings with the SEC, actual results may differ materially from those indicated by the forward-looking statements made in this press release. Forward-looking statements contained in this press release speak only as of the date of this press release and we undertake no obligation to update or revise these statements, except as may be required by law.

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