FARRELL JOSEPH H

Form 4

November 10, 2004

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FARRELL JOSEPH H	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
	DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES INC [DCOM]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify		
209 HAVEMEYER STREET	11/08/2004	below) below)		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
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BROOKLYN, NY 11211

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	on Date 2A. Deemed		4. Securities Acquired (A) tiomr Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or V Amount (D) Price		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount of 6. curities Ownership neficially Form: whed Direct (D) llowing or Indirect ported (I) ansaction(s) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	11/08/2004		Code V M	5,000	A	\$ 4.3	159,810	D		
Common Stock	11/08/2004		S	5,000	D	\$ 16.705	154,810	D		
Common Stock	11/09/2004		M	10,000	A	\$ 4.3	164,810	D		
Common Stock	11/09/2004		S	10,000	D	\$ 17.0182	154,810	D		

Person

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 4.3	11/08/2004		M		5,000	12/26/1997	12/26/2006	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 4.3	11/09/2004		M		10,000	12/26/1997	12/26/2006	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 10.91						11/21/2002	11/21/2011	Common Stock	6,750
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 13.16						02/01/2004	02/01/2013	Common Stock	7,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 19.9						01/27/2005	01/27/2014	Common Stock	9,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
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FARRELL JOSEPH H 209 HAVEMEYER STREET BROOKLYN, NY 11211	X						

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**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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