## FORM 4

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Name and Address of Reporting Person *     DEFEO NEIL P				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Hostess Brands, Inc. [TWNK]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O HOSTESS BRANDS, INC., 1 EAST ARMOUR BOULEVARD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/30/2019					Office	r (give title belo	ow)	Other (specify	below)		
(Street) KANSAS CITY, MO 64111				4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City		(State)	(Zip)			Table	e I - No	n-Der	ivative :	Securities	Acqu	ired, Disp	osed of, or l	Beneficially	Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if		, if (1	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		es Following	6. Ownership Form:	Beneficial		
				(Montl	h/Day/Ye	ear)	Code	V	Amour	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 a			Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/	Year) Execution Da	ate, if T	4. 5. Number Code (Instr. 8) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  A U Si (I		Am Und Sec	itle and ount of derlying urities tr. 3 and	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	f 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form of Derivativ Security: Direct (D or Indirect	Ownersh (Instr. 4)  (D)  rect		
				С	Code V	7 (A	.) (D)	Date Exer	cisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or e Number of Shares				

### **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships				
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
DEFEO NEIL P C/O HOSTESS BRANDS, INC. 1 EAST ARMOUR BOULEVARD KANSAS CITY, MO 64111	X				

### **Signatures**

/s/ Jolyn Sebree, Attorney-in-Fact	05/31/2019
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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).
- Consists of a grant of restricted stock units. Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive one share of Class A Common Stock of Hostess Brands, Inc. (the "Company"). These restricted stock units shall vest upon the first to occur of (i) the Company's 2020 annual stockholders' meeting, (ii) the date that is 15 calendar months following the grant date, (iii) the death or disability of the director, or (iv) a change of control of the Company, in each case, subject to continued service until such vesting date, and shall be settled upon the director's termination of Board service or if earlier, a change of control of the Company.

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