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FORM 4

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Fast Barbara Symbol 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

AMERICAN PUBLIC EDUCATION INC [APEI]

issuei

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3.

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X Director _____ 10% Owner _____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify below) below)

111 W. CONGRESS STREET
(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

05/20/2010

X Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 1.Title of 3. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially Beneficial Disposed of (D) (D) or (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Ownership (Instr. 8) Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price (Instr. 3 and 4

Common

(City)

Stock, par 05/20/2010 A $973 \frac{(1)}{}$ A \$ 0 2,105 D

value \$.01

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title Amoun Under	int of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
	Derivative Security				Securities Acquired			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Owne Follo
					(A) or Disposed						Repo Trans
					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Fast Barbara 111 W. CONGRESS STREET	X						
CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414	Λ						

Signatures

/s/ Harry T. Wilkins, Attorney-in-Fact 05/24/2010

**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).
- Under the directors' compensation policy for non-employee directors of American Public Education, Inc. (the "Company"), the Company's compensation committee annually grants each non-employee director an award of restricted common stock of the Company having a value of \$41,750 on the date of grant. The shares vest on the earlier of the one year anniversary of the date of grant and immediately prior to the 2011 annual meeting of stockholders.

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