Halle Jean C. Form 4 August 25, 2011

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Halle Jean C.

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

AMERICAN PUBLIC EDUCATION INC [APEI] (Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

(First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

\_\_X\_\_ Director \_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_ below) bo

\_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)
111 WEST CONGRESS STREET 08/23/2011

GRESS STREET 08/23/2011

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person \_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I. Non Dorivative Securities Acquired Disposed of ar Reposicially Ov

#### CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414

(Street)

(State)

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition Dispose (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of (		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.01	08/23/2011		M	18,236	A	\$ 3.2935	29,842	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01	08/23/2011		M	4,145	A	\$ 6.9916	33,987	D	

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of dependent of Derivative Expiration Description (Month/Day/Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.2935	08/23/2011		M	18,236	<u>(1)</u>	05/18/2016	Common Stock	18,236
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.9916	08/23/2011		M	4,145	<u>(1)</u>	05/06/2017	Common Stock	4,145

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Halle Jean C. 111 WEST CONGRESS STREET CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414	X						

## **Signatures**

/s/ Harry T. Wilkins,
Attorney-in-Fact
08/25/2011

\*\*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).
- (1) As of the date hereof, all shares underlying the option were exercisable.

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