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AMERICAN PUBLIC EDUCATION INC Form 4 January 22, 2016 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Boston Wallace E. Jr. Issuer Symbol AMERICAN PUBLIC (Check all applicable) EDUCATION INC [APEI] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 111 WEST CONGRESS STREET 01/20/2016 President and CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common F⁽¹⁾ D D Stock, par 01/20/2016 2,057 326.708 16.05 value \$.01 Common Stock, par 01/20/2016 $F^{(2)}$ 2.450 D 324,258 D 16 05 value \$.01 Common

 $F^{(2)}$

 $F^{(1)}$

1,308

2,565

D

D

\$16.1 322,950

\$16.1 320,385

D

D

Stock, par

value \$.01

Common

Stock, par

01/21/2016

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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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Instr. 8	ction 8) I 8) <i>I</i> 9 (1 0 0 0 0 0	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	ınt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code	V ((A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Boston Wallace E. Jr. 111 WEST CONGRESS STREET CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414			President and CEO					
Signatures								
/s/ Richard W. Sunderland, Jr., Attorney-in-Fact		01/	/22/2016					

Explanation of Responses:

<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person

- * 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) The issuer withheld shares of Common Stock from the reporting person to pay the tax withholding obligations related to the vesting of restricted shares of Common Stock held by the reporting person.

Date

(2) The issuer withheld shares of Common Stock from the reporting person to pay the tax withholding obligations related to the vesting of equity awards held by the reporting person.

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