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

# FORM S-1

(A mendment No. 1)

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# ASPENGROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number) 27-1933597 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or date(s) as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities A ct of 1933, or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission acting pursuant to said Section 8(a) may determine.

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The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. These securities may not be sold until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission of which this prospectus is a part becomes effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Subject to Completion, Dated March 25, 2013

# ASPEN GROUP, INC.

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23,546,397 Shares of Common Stock

This prospectus relates to the sale of up to 23,546,397 shares of A spen Group, Inc. common stock which may be offered by the selling shareholders identified in this prospectus.

We will not receive any proceeds from the sales of shares of our common stock by the selling shareholders named on page 60.

Our common stock trades on the Over-the-Counter Bulletin Board under the symbol "A SPU". As of the last trading day before the date of this prospectus, the closing price of our common stock was \$0.50 per share.

The common stock offered in this prospectus involves 1%

# SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA

The following summary of our financial data should be read in conjunction with, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to "Management's Discussion and A nalysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and our consolidated financial statements appearing elsewhere in this prospectus. The data for the years ended December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 has been taken from our audited financial statements.

# Statements of Operations Data

	Year E nded December 31, 2012	Year Ended December 31, 2011
Revenue	\$ 5,017,213	\$ 4,477,931
Operating Loss	\$ (5,656,316)	\$ (2,095,503)
Netloss	\$ (6,010,734)	\$ (2,135,573)
Net loss per common share – basic and diluted	\$ (0.17)	\$ (0.14)
Weighted average common shares outstanding (basic and diluted)	35,316,681	15,377,413

# Balance Sheet Data

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>\$eqi</b> ui 6 <b>8</b> 4,988	ä

# RISK FACTORS

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If we cannot manage our growth, our results of operations may suffer and could adversely affect our ability to comply with federal regulations.

The growth that we have experienced after our new management began in May 2011, as well as any future growth that we experience, may place a significant strain on our resources and increase demands on our management information and reporting systems and financial management controls. If growth negatively impacts our ability to manage our business, the learning experience for our students could be adversely affected, resulting in a higher rate of student attrition and fewer student referrals. Future growth will also require continued improvement of our internal controls and systems, particularly those related to complying with federal regulations under the Higher Education A ct, as administered by the DOE, including as a result of our participation in federal student financial aid programs under Title IV. If we are unable to manage our growth, we may also experience operating inefficiencies that could increase our costs and adversely affect our profitability and results of operations.

Because there is strong competition in the postsecondary education market, especially in the online education market, our cost of acquiring students may increase and our results of operations may be harmed.

Postsecondary education is highly fragmented and competitive. We compete with traditional public and private two-year and four-year brick and mortar colleges as well as other for-profit schools, particularly those that offer online learning programs. Public and private colleges and universities, as well as other for-profit schools, offer programs similar to those we offer. Public institutions receive substantial government subsidies, and public and private institutions have access to government and foundation grants, tax-deductible contributions that create large endowments and other financial resources generally not available to for-profit schools. A ccordingly, public and private institutions may have instructional and support resources that are superior to those in the for-profit sector. In addition, some of our competitors, including both traditional colleges and universities and online for-profit schools, have substantially greater name recognition and financial and other resources than we have, which may enable them to compete more effectively for potential students. We also expect to face increased competition as a result of new entrants to the online education market, including established colleges and universities that have not previously offered online education programs.

We may not be able to compete successfully against current or future competitors and may face competitive pressures including price pressures that could adversely affect our business or results of operations and reduce our operating margins. We may also face increased competition if our competitors pursue relationships with the military and government educational programs with which we already have relationships. These competitive factors could cause our enrollments, revenues and profitability to decrease significantly.

In the event that we are unable to update and expand the content of existing programs and develop new programs and specializations on a timely basis and in a cost-effective manner, our results of operations may be harmed.

The updates and expansions of our existing programs and the development of new programs and specializations may not be accepted by existing or prospective students or employers. If we cannot respond to changes in market requirements, our business may be adversely affected. Even if we are able to develop acceptable new programs, we may not be able to introduce these new programs as quickly as students require or as quickly as our competitors introduce competing programs. To offer a new academic program, we may be required to obtain appropriate federal, state and accrediting agency approvals, which may be conditioned or delayed in a manner that could significantly affect our growth plans. In addition, a new academic program that must prepare students for gainful employment must be approved by the DOE for Title IV purposes if the institution is provisionally certified, which we are through September 30, 2013. If we are unable to respond adequately to changes in market requirements due to financial constraints, regulatory limitations or other factors, our ability to attract and retain students could be impaired and our financial results could suffer.

Establishing new academic programs or modifying existing programs may require us to make investments in management and faculty, incur marketing expenses and reallocate other resources. If we are unable to increase the number of students, or offer new programs in a cost-effective manner, or are otherwise unable to manage effectively the operations of newly established academic programs, our results of operations and financial condition could be adversely affected.

Because our future growth and profitability will depend in large part upon the effectiveness of our marketing and advertising efforts, if those efforts are unsuccessful we may not be profitable in the future.

Our future growth and profitability will depend in large part upon our media performance, including our ability to:

- Create greater awareness of our school and our programs;
   Identify the most effective and efficient level of spending in each market and specific media vehicle;
   Determine the appropriate creative message and media mix for advertising, marketing and promotional expenditures; and
   Effectively manage marketing costs (including creative and media).

Because we rely on third party administration and hosting of open source software for our online classroom, if that third party were to cease to do business or alter its business practices and services, it could have an adverse impact on our ability to operate.

Our online classroom employs the Moodle learning management system which is an open source learning platform and is supported by the open source community. The system is a web-based portal that stores and delivers course content, provides interactive communication between students and faculty, and supplies online evaluation tools. While Moodle is an open source learning platform, we rely on third parties to host and help with the administration of it. We further rely on third parties, the Moodlerooms, Inc. agreement and the open source community as well as our internal staff for ongoing support and customization and integration of the system with the rest of our technology infrastructure. Moodlerooms or the open source community that supports it were unable or unwilling to continue to provide us with service, we may have difficulty maintaining the software required for our online classroom or updating it for future technological changes. A ny failure to maintain our online classroom would have an adverse impact on our operations, damage our reputation and limit our ability to attract and retain students.

Because the personal information that we or our vendors collect may be vulnerable to breach, theft or loss, any of these factors could adversely affect our reputation and operations.

Possession and use of personal information in our operations subjects us to risks and costs that could harm our business. A spen uses a third party to collect and retain large amounts of personal information regarding our students and their families, including social security numbers, tax return information, personal and family financial data and credit card numbers. We also collect and maintain personal information of our employees in the ordinary course of our business. Some of this personal information is held and managed by certain of our vendors. Errors in the storage, use or transmission of personal information could result in a breach of student or employee privacy. Possession and use of personal information in our operations also subjects us to legislative and regulatory burdens that could require notification of data breaches, restrict our use of personal information, and cause us to lose our certification to participate in the Title IV programs. We cannot guarantee that there will not be a breach, loss or theft of personal information that we store or our third parties store. A breach, theft or loss of personal information regarding our students and their families or our employees that is held by us or our vendors could have a material adverse effect on our reputation and results of operations and result in liability under state and federal privacy statutes and legal or administrative actions by state attorneys general, private litigants, and federal regulators any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Because the CAN-SPAM Act imposes certain obligations on the senders of commercial emails, it could adversely impact our ability to market Aspen's educational services, and otherwise increase the costs of our business.

The Controlling the Assault of Non-Solicited Pornography and Marketing Act of 2003, or CAN-SPAM Act, establishes requirements for commercial email and specifies penalties for commercial email that violates the CAN-SPAM Act. In addition, the CAN-SPAM Act gives consumers the right to require third parties to stop sending them commercial email.

The CAN-SPAM Act covers email sent for the primary purpose of advertising or promoting a commercial product, service, or Internet website. The Federal Trade Commission, a federal consumer protection agency, is primarily responsible for enforcing the CAN-SPAM Act, and the Department of Justice, other federal agencies, State Attorneys General, and Internet service providers also have authority to enforce certain of its provisions.

The CAN-SPAM Act's main provisions include:

- Prohibiting false or misleading email header information;
- Prohibiting the use of deceptive subject lines;
- Ensuring that recipients may, for at least 30 days after an email is sent, opt out of receiving future commercial email messages from the sender:
- Requiring that commercial email be identified as a solicitation or advertisement unless the recipient affirmatively permitted the message;
- Requiring that the sender include a valid postal address in the email message.

The CAN-SPAM Act also prohibits unlawful acquisition of email addresses, such as through directory harvesting and transmission of commercial emails by unauthorized means, such as through relaying messages with the intent to deceive recipients as to the origin of such messages.

Institutions of higher education that grant degrees, diplomas, or certificates must be authorized by an appropriate state education agency or agencies. In addition, in certain states as a condition of continued authorization to grant degrees and in order to participate in various federal programs, including tuition assistance programs of the United States Armed Forces, a school must be accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education. A ccreditation is a non-governmental process through which an institution submits to qualitative review by an organization of peer institutions, based on the standards of the accrediting agency and the stated aims and purposes of the institution. The Higher Education Act requires accrediting agencies recognized by the DOE to review and monitor many aspects of an institution's operations and to take appropriate action when the institution fails to comply with the accrediting agency's standards.

Our operations are also subject to regulation due to our participation in Title IV programs. Title IV programs, which are administered by the DOE, include loans made directly to students by the DOE. Title IV programs also include several grant programs for students with economic need as determined in accordance with the Higher Education A ctand DOE regulations. To participate in Title IV programs, a school must receive and maintain authorization by the appropriate state education agencies, be accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education, and be certified as an eligible institution by the DOE. Our growth strategy is partly dependent on enrolling more students who are attracted to us because of our continued participation in the Title IV programs.

The regulations, standards, and policies of the DOE, state education agencies, and our accrediting agencies change frequently. Recent and impending changes in, or new interpretations of, applicable laws, regulations, standards, or policies, or our noncompliance with any applicable laws, regulations, standards, or policies, could have a material adverse effect on our accreditation, authorization to operate in various states, activities, receipt of funds under tuition assistance programs of the United States A rmed Forces, our ability to participate in Title IV programs, receipt of veterans education benefits funds, or costs of doing business. Findings of noncompliance with these regulations, standards and policies also could result in our being required to pay monetary damages, or being subjected to fines, penalties, injunctions, limitations on our operations, termination of our ability to grant degrees, revocation of our accreditation, restrictions on our access to Title IV program funds or other censure that could have a material adverse effect on our business.

If we do not maintain authorization in Colorado, our operations would be curtailed, and we may not grant degrees.

A spen is headquartered in Colorado and is authorized by the Colorado Commission on Higher Education to grant degrees, diplomas or certificates. If we were to lose our authorization from the Colorado Commission on Higher Education, we would be unable to provide educational services in Colorado and we would lose our eligibility to participate in the Title IV programs.

Our failure to comply with regulations of various states could have a material adverse effect on our enrollments, revenues, and results of operations.

V arious states impose regulatory requirements on education institutions operating within their boundaries. Several states assert jurisdiction over online education institutions that have no physical location or other presence in the state but offer education services to students who reside in the state or advertise to or recruit prospective students in the state. State regulatory requirements for online education are inconsistent among states and not well developed in many jurisdictions. As such, these requirements change frequently and, in some instances, are not clear or are left to the discretion of state regulators.

State laws typically establish standards for instruction, qualifications of faculty, administrative procedures, marketing, recruiting, financial operations, and other operational matters. To the extent that we have obtained, or obtain in the future, additional authorizations or licensure, changes in state laws and regulations and the interpretation of those laws and regulations by the applicable regulators may limit our ability to offer education programs and award degrees. Some states may also prescribe financial regulations that are different from those of the DOE. If we fail to comply with state licensing or authorization requirements, we may be subject to the loss of state licensure or authorization. If we fail to comply with state requirements to obtain licensure or authorization, we may be the subject of injunctive actions or penalties. Loss of licensure or authorization or the failure to obtain required licensures or authorizations could prohibit us from recruiting or enrolling students in particular states, reduce significantly our enrollments and revenues and have a material adverse effect on our results of operations. We enroll students in all 50 states, as well as the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. We have sought and received confirmation that our operations do not require state licensure or authorization, or we have been notified that we are exempt from licensure or authorization requirements, in three states. We, through our legal counsel, are researching the licensure requirements by June 2014. Because we enroll students in all 50 states, as well as the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, we may have to seek licensure or authorization in additional states in the future.

Under DOE regulations, if an institution offers postsecondary education through distance education to students in a state in which the institution is not physically located or in which it is otherwise subject to state jurisdiction as determined by that state, the institution must have met any state requirements for it to be legally offering postsecondary distance education in that state. A federal court has vacated such requirement, and an appellate court affirmed that ruling on June 5, 2012, though further guidance is expected. See page 39 of this prospectus. Should the requirement be upheld or otherwise enforced, however, and if we fail to obtain required state authorization to provide postsecondary distance education in a specific state, we could lose our ability to award Title IV aid to students within that state.

Because the DOE may conduct compliance reviews of us, we may be subject to adverse review and future litigation which could affect our ability to offer Title IV student loans.

Because we operate in a highly regulated industry, we are subject to compliance reviews and claims of non-compliance and lawsuits by government agencies, regulatory agencies, and third parties, including claims brought by third parties on behalf of the federal government. If the results of compliance reviews or other proceedings are unfavorable to us, or if we are unable to defend successfully against lawsuits or claims, we may be required to pay monetary damages or be subject to fines, limitations, loss of Title IV funding, injunctions or other penalties, including the requirement to make refunds. Even if we adequately address issues raised by an agency review or successfully defend a lawsuit or claim, we may have to divert significant financial and management resources from our ongoing business operations to address issues raised by those reviews or to defend against those lawsuits or claims. Claims and lawsuits brought against us may damage our reputation, even if such claims and lawsuits are without merit

If our competitors are subject to further regulatory claims and adverse publicity, it may affect our industry and reduce our future enrollment.

We are one of a number of for-profit institutions serving the postsecondary education market. In recent years, regulatory investigations and civil litigation have been commenced against several companies that own for-profit educational institutions. These investigations and lawsuits have alleged, among other things, deceptive trade practices and non-compliance with DOE regulations. These allegations have attracted adverse media coverage and have been the subject of federal and state legislative hearings. A Ithough the media, regulatory and legislative focus has been primarily on the allegations made against specific companies, broader allegations against the overall for-profit school sector may negatively affect public perceptions of other for-profit educational institutions, including A spen. In addition, in recent years, reports on student lending practices of various lending institutions and schools, including for-profit schools, and investigations by a number of state attorneys general, Congress and governmental agencies have led to adverse media coverage of postsecondary education. A diverse media coverage regarding other companies in the for-profit school sector or regarding us directly could damage our reputation, could result in lower enrollments, revenues and operating profit and could have a negative impact on our stock price. Such allegations could also result in increased scrutiny and regulation by the DOE, Congress, accrediting bodies, state legislatures or other governmental authorities with respect to all for-profit institutions, including us.

Due to new regulations or congressional action or reduction in funding for Title IV programs, our future enrollment may be reduced and costs of compliance increased.

The Higher Education Act comes up for reauthorization by Congress approximately every five to six years. When Congress does not act on complete reauthorization, there are typically amendments and extensions of authorization. Additionally, Congress reviews and determines appropriations for Title IV programs on an annual basis through the budget and appropriations process. There is no assurance that Congress will not in the future enact changes that decrease Title IV program funds available to students, including students who attend our institution. Any action by Congress that significantly reduces funding for Title IV programs or the ability of our school or students to participate in these programs would require us to arrange for other sources of financial aid and would materially decrease our enrollment Such a decrease in enrollment would have a material adverse effect on our revenues and results of operations. Congressional ac stan havuresulte us og mulas, i

Because we are subject to sanctions if we fail to calculate correctly and return timely Title IV program funds for students who stop participating before completing their educational program, our future operating results may be adversely affected.

A school participating in Title IV programs must correctly calculate the amount of unearned Title IV program funds that have been disbursed to students who withdraw from their educational programs before completion and must return those unearned funds in a timely manner, generally within 45 days after the date the school determines that the student has withdrawn. Under recently effective DOE regulations, institutions that use the last day of attendance at an academically-related activity must determine the relevant date based on accurate institutional records (not a student's critical of attendance). For online, classes, if academic attendance, means engaging in a accommodative program on a complete participate and activity programs. Un DO tain rimits. In orientates a student's program on a complete program on the property calculated and timely returned funds requirements. Because we only recently began to participate in Title IV programs, we have limited experience complying with these Title IV regulations. Under DOE regulations, late return of Title IV program funds are not properly calculated and timely returned, we may have to repay IV do re

If A spen fails to meet standards regarding "gainful employment," it may result in the loss of eligibility to participate in Title IV programs.

The DOE's regulations on gainful employment programs became effective July 1, 2012. Should a program fail the gainful employment metrics three times within a four year period, the DOE would terminate the program's eligibility for federal student aid (i.e., students in the program would immediately lose eligibility to participate in Title IV programs), and the institution would not be able to reestablish the program's eligibility for atleast three years, though the program could continue to operate without Title IV funding. The earliest a program could lose eligibility under the gainful employment rule will be 2015, based on its 2012, 2013, and 2014 performance under the metrics. Because the DOE's gainful employment rules will be implemented over several years and are based at least in part on data that is unavailable to us, it is not possible at this time to determine with any degree of certainty whether these new regulations will cause any of our programs to become ineligible to participate in the Title IV programs. However, under this new regulation, the continuing eligibility of our educational programs for Title IV funding is at risk due to factors beyond our control, such as changes in the actual or deemed income level of our graduates, changes in student borrowing levels, increases in interestrates, changes in the federal poverty income level relevant for calculating discretionary income, changes in the percentage of our former students who are current in repayment of their student loans, and other factors. In addition, even though deficiencies in the metrics and be correctible on a timely basis, the disclosure requirements to students following a failure to meet the standards may adversely impact enrollment in that program and may adversely impact the reputation of our educational institutions.

Our failure to obtain DOE approval, where required, for new programs that prepare students for gainful employment in a recognized occupation could materially and adversely affect our business.

Under the DOE regulations, an institution must notify the DOE at least 90 days before the first day of class when it intends to add a program that prepares students for gainful employment in a recognized occupation. The institution may proceed to offer the program, unless the DOE advises the institution that the DOE must approve the program for Title IV purposes. In addition, if the institution does not provide timely notice to the DOE regarding the additional program, the institution must obtain approval of the program for Title IV purposes. If the DOE denies approval, the institution may not award Title IV funds in connection with the program. Were the DOE to deny approval to one or more of our new programs, our business could be materially and adversely affected. Furthermore, compliance with these new procedures could cause delay in our ability to offer new programs and put our business at a competitive disadvantage. Compliance could also adversely affect our ability to timely offer programs of interest to our students and potential students and adversely affect our ability to increase our revenues. As a result, our business could be materially and adversely affected.

Our failure to comply with the DOE's substantial misrepresentation rules could result in sanctions.

The DOE may take action against an institution in the event of substantial misrepresentation by the institution concerning the nature of its educational programs, its financial charges or the employability of its graduates. Under new regulations, the DOE has expanded the activities that constitute a substantial misrepresentation. Under the DOE regulations, an institution engages in substantial misrepresentation when the institution itself, one of its representatives, or an organization or person with which the institution has an agreement to provide educational programs, marketing, advertising, or admissions services, makes a substantial misrepresentation directly to a student, prospective student or any member of the public, or to an accrediting agency, a state agency, or to the Secretary of Education. The final regulations define misrepresentation as any false, erroneous or misleading statement, and they define a misleading statement as any statement that has the likelihood or tendency to deceive or confuse. The final regulations define substantial misrepresentation as any misrepresentation on which the person to whom it was made could reasonably be expected to rely, or has reasonably relied, to the person's detriment. If the DOE determines that an institution has engaged in substantial misrepresentation, the DOE may revoke an institution's program participation agreement, impose limitations on an institution's participation in the Title IV programs, deny participation applications made on behalf of the institution or initiate a proceeding against the institution to fine the institution or to limit, suspend or termination the institution's participation in the Title IV programs. We expect that there could be an increase in our industry of administrative actions, and a result our business could be materially and adversely affected.

Due to factors beyond our control, our stock price may be volatile.

A ny of the following factors could affect the market price of our common stock:

- Our failure to generate increasing material revenues;
   Our failure to become profitable;
   Our failure to raise working capital;
   Our public disclosure of the terms of any financing which we consummate in the future;
   A ctual or anticipated variations in our quarterly results of operations;
   A nnouncements by us or our competitors of significant contracts, new services, acquisitions, commercial relationships, joint ventures or capital commitments;
   The loss of Title IV funding or other.
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# FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

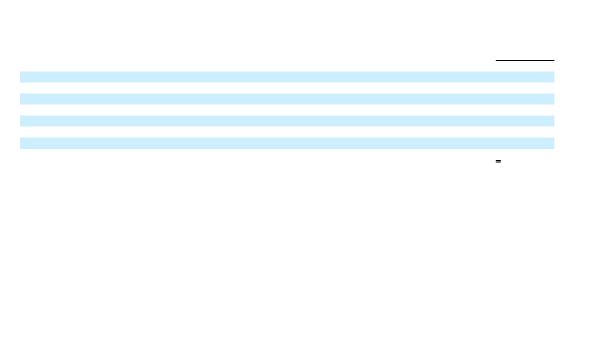
This prospectus includes forward-looking statements including statements regarding liquidity, anticipated marketing spending, capital expenditures and planned financings. All statements other than statements of historical facts contained in this prospectus, including statements regarding our future financial position, liquidity, business strategy and plans and objectives of management for future operations, are forward-looking statements. The words "believe," "may," "estimate," "continue," "anticipate," "intend," "should," "plan," "could," "target," "potential," "is likely," "will," "expect" and similar expressions, as they relate to us, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. We have based these forward-looking statements largely on our current expectations and projections about future events and financial trends that we believe may affect our financial condition, results of operations, business strategy and financial needs. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions described in "Risk Factors" elsewhere in this prospectus. Other sections of this prospectus may includer acidetic threal tradectors subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions described in "Risk Factors" elsewhere in this prospectus. Other sections of this prospectus may includer acidetic threal tradectors subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and adversely affect our business and financial performance. New risk factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for us to predictall such risk factors on our business or the extent to which any risk factor, or combination of risk factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements or the risk factors described in this prospectus, whether as a result of new information, future events, changed circumstances or any other reason after the date of this prospectus.

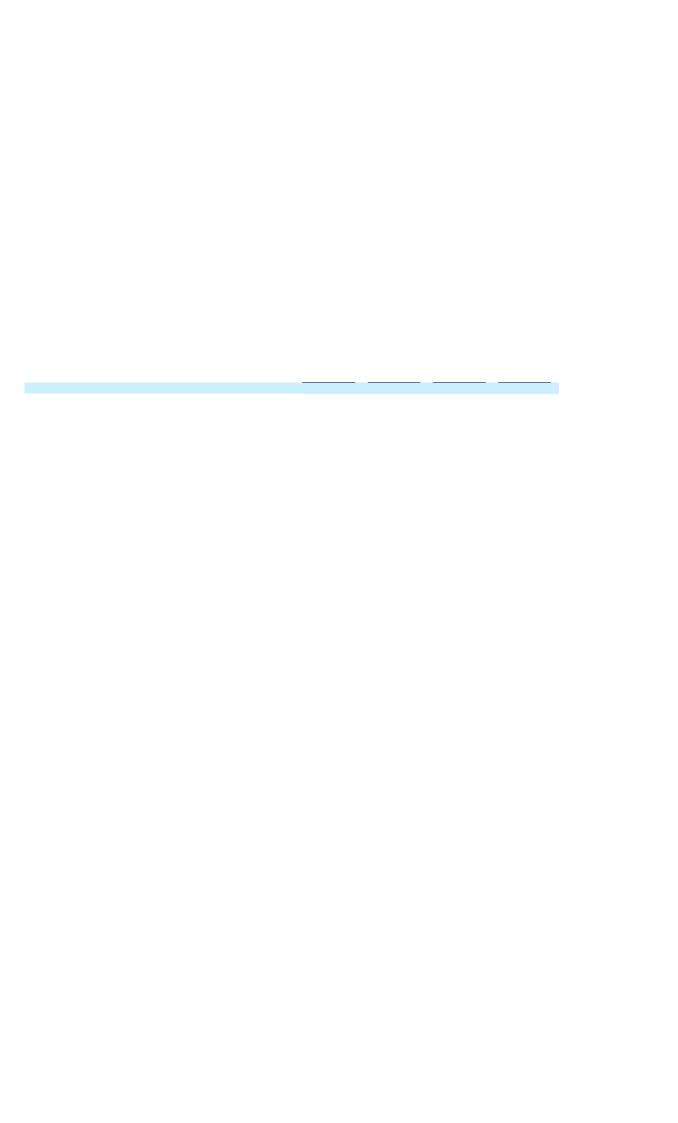
#### DILUTION

Except for the shares underlying the warrants, the shares of common stock to be sold by the selling shareholders are issued and outstanding. A coordingly, there will be no dilution to our existing shareholders except to the extent warrants are exercised.

#### PRIVATE PLACEMENTS

From March to July 2012, we sold approximately \$1.7 million of secured convertible notes, or Notes, and approximately 1.3 million warrants to purchase our common stock from which we received approximately \$1.4 million in net proceeds. The Notes converted into A spen Group's common stock at \$0.3325 per share, which we refer have the proceed of the process of the Notes converted into A spen Group's common stock at \$0.3325 per share, which we refer have the proceed of the process of the Notes converted into A spen Group's common stock at \$0.3325 per share, which we refer have the process of the Notes converted into A spen Group's common stock at \$0.3325 per share, which we refer have the process of the Notes converted into A spen Group's common stock at \$0.3325 per share, which we refer have the process of the Notes converted into A spen Group's common stock at \$0.3325 per share, which we refer have the process of the Notes converted into A spen Group's common stock at \$0.3325 per share, which we refer have the process of the Notes converted into A spen Group's common stock at \$0.3325 per share, which we refer have the process of the Notes converted into A spen Group's common stock at \$0.3325 per share, which we refer have the process of the Notes converted into A spen Group's common stock at \$0.3325 per share, which we refer have the process of the Notes converted into A spen Group's converted i





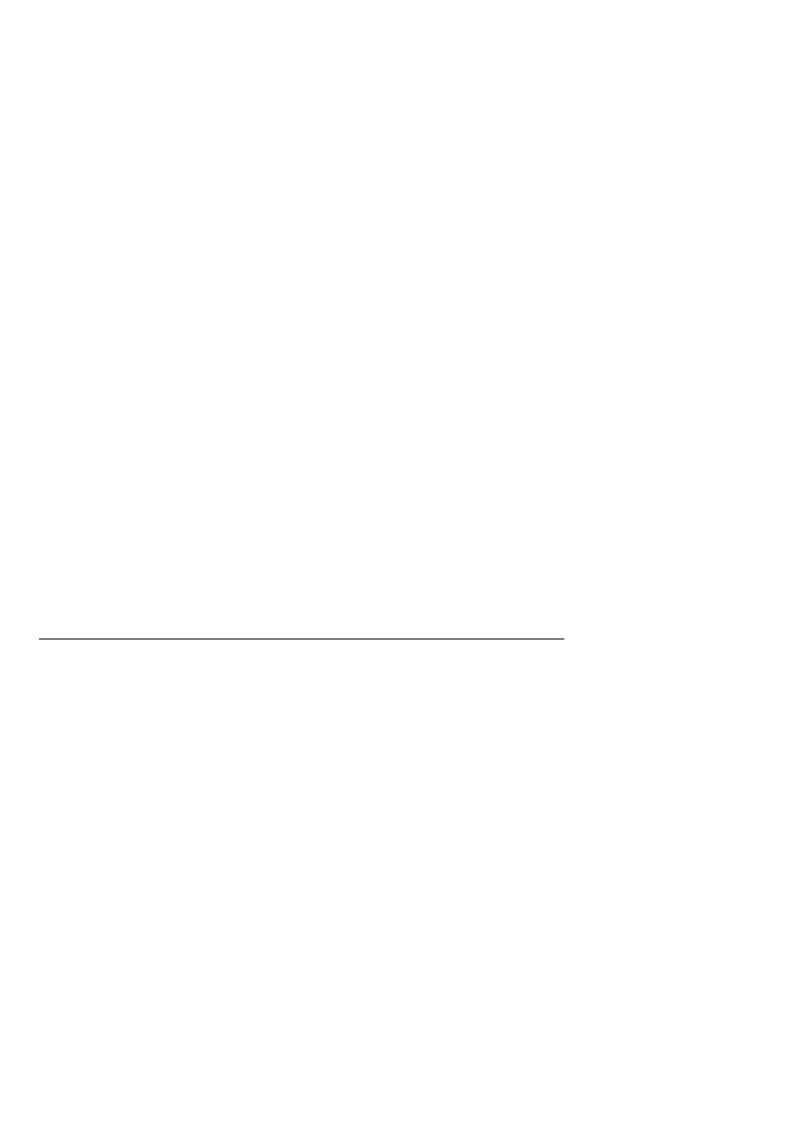
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# Capital Resources and Liquidity

N et cash used in operating activities during the year ended D ecember 31, 2012 totaled (\$4,403,361) and resulted primarily from a net loss of (\$6,010,734) offset by non-cash items of \$1,965,955 and a net change in operating assets and liabilities of (\$358,582). Net cash from operating activities include non-recurring expenses of \$702,093 which comprised of professional fees.

Net cash used in investing activities during the year ended December 31, 2012 totaled (\$619,801) and resulted primarily from capitalized technology expenditures of (\$505,146) and a net increase of restricted cash of (\$264,992), offset by officer loan repayments received of \$150,000.

Net cash provided by financing activities during the year ended Decembern



#### BUSINESS

On March 13, 2012, A spen Group and A spen closed a Merger A greement whereby A spen became a wholly-owned subsidiary of A spen Group. We refer to the merger as the "Reverse Merger." All references to "we," "our" and "us" refer to A spen Group, unless the context otherwise indicates. In referring to academic matters, these words refer solely to A spen University Inc.

### Description of Business

A spen's mission is to become an institution of choice for adult learners by offering cost-effective, comprehensive, and relevant online education. We are dedicated to helping our students exceed their personal and professional objectives in a socially conscious and economically sensible way. A spen's mission in fact is to help students achieve their long-term goals of upward mobility and long-term economic success through providing superior education, exerting financial prudence, and supporting our students' career advancement goals. A spen is dedicated to providing the highest quality education experiences taught by top-tier professors - 67% of our adjunct professors hold doctorate degrees.

Because we believe higher education should be a catalyst to our students' long-term economic success, we exert financial prudence by offering affordable tuition that is one of the greatest values in online education. We have expanded our degree offerings broadly but the vision remains the same to provide students with the best value in high quality education and to help them achieve their academic and career goals.

One of the key differences between A spen and other publicly-traded, exclusively online, for-profit universities is an emphasis on post-graduate degree programs (master or doctorate). As of December 31, 2012, 1,681 students were enrolled as full-time degree seeking students with 1,467 of those students or 87% in a master or doctoral graduate degree program. In addition, 872 students are engaged in part time programs, such as continuing education courses and certificate level programs (includes 343 part-time undergraduate military students). A spen is committed to maintaining its focus on being a predominantly graduate school for the foreseeable future.

Today, A spen offers certificate programs and associate, bachelor, master and doctoral degree programs in a broad range of areas, including business and organization management, education, nursing, information technology, and general studies. In terms of enrollments, our most popular schools are our school of business and our school of nursing. Specifically, our Master of Business A dministration, or MBA, and Master of Science in Nursing represent the two largest degree programs among our full-time, degree-seeking student body as of December 31, 2012. A spen's School of Nursing is our fastest growing program, having grown from 5% of our full-time, degree seeking student body at year-end 2011, to 16% of our full-time, degree seeking student body at year-end 2012.

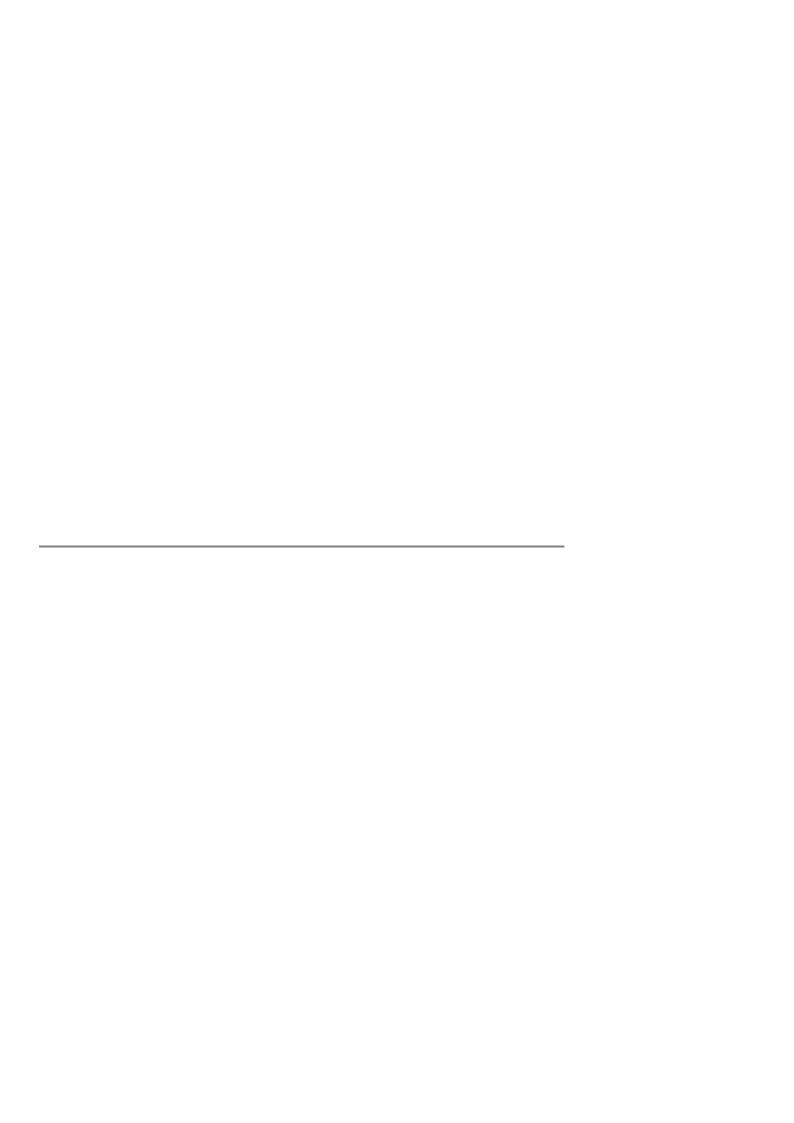
We are accredited by the DETC. A spen first received DETC accreditation in 1993 and most recently received re-accreditation in January 2009. A spen is scheduled for re-accreditation review in November 2013.

A spen is provisionally certified by the DOE through September 30, 2013. Under such certification, A spen is restricted to a limit of 1,200 student recipients for Title IV funding for the period ending June 30, 2013. A s of December 31, 2012, A spen had 442 students that were currently participating in the Title IV programs. Since inception of A spen's provisional certification status, it has had 543 total Title IV student participants. In the future when it considers whether to extend the provisional certification or make the certification permanent, the DOE may impose additional or different terms and conditions, including growth restrictions or limitation on the number of students who may receive Title IV aid. In terms of future deadlines with the DOE, A spen is required to re-apply by June 30, 2013 to continue its participation in the Title IV Higher Education A ct, or HEA, programs. A t that time, a determination will be made whether we meet the requirements for full certification.

In 2008, A spen received accreditation of its Master of Science in Nursing Program with the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, or the Nursing Commission. Officially recognized by the DOE, the Nursing Commission is a nongovernmental accrediting agency, which ensures the quality and integrity of education programs in preparing effective nurses. A spen's Master of Science in Nursing program most recently underwent accreditation review by the Nursing Commission in March 2011. At that time, the program's accreditation was reaffirmed, with the accreditation term to expire December 30, 2021. We currently offer a variety of nursing degrees including: Masters of Science in Nursing, Masters of Science in Nursing - Nursing Education, Masters of Science in Nursing A dministration and Management and Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

A spen is a Global Charter Education Provider for the Project Management Institute, or PMI, and a Registered Education Provider (R.E.P.) of the PMI. The PMI recognizes select A spen Project Management Courses as Professional Development Units. These courses help prepare individuals to sit for the Project Management Professional, or PMP, certification examination. PMP certification is the project management profession's most recognized and respected certification credential. Project management professionals may take the PMI approved A spen courses to fulfill continuing education requirements for maintaining their PMP certification.

In connection with our Bachelor and Master degrees in Psychology of A ddiction and Counseling, the National A ssociation of A Icoholism and Drug A buse Counselors, or NAADAC, has approved A spen as an "academic education provider." NAADAC-approved education providers offer training and education for those who are seeking to become certified, and those who want to maintain their certification, as alcohol and drug counselors. In connection with the approval process, NAADAC reviews all educational training programs for content applicability to state and national certification standards



# Industry Overview The U.S. market for postsecondary education is a large, growing market A ccording to a 2012 publication by the National Center for Education Statistics, or NCES, the number of postsecondary learners enrolled as of Fass

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Information Systems Management

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Web Development

Certificate in Project Management

Certificate in Internet Marketing
Executive Certificate in Business Administration

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A ssociate of General Studies

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A ssociate of Fine Arts

Bachelors Degrees

Bachelor of General Studies

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Addiction Counseling

Bachelor of Science in Alternative Energy

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, (Completion Program)

Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice
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Major Crime Investigation Procedure

Major Crime Investigation Procedure, (Completion Program)

Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education

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Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education with a specialization in

Infants and Toddlers

Infants and Toddlers, (Completion Program)

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# Sales and Marketing

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This new regulation has been recognized as a significant departure from the state authorization procedures followed by most if not all, institutions before its enactment A I though these new rules became effective July 1, 2011, the DOE indicated in an A pril 20, 2011 guidance letter that it would not initiate any action to establish repayment liabilities or limit student eligibility for distance education activities undertaken before July 1, 2014, provided the institution was making a good faith effort to identify and obtain necessary state authorization before that date. However, on July 12, 2011, a federal judge for the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia vacated the portion of the DOE's state authorization regulation that requires online education providers to obtain any required authorization from all states in which their students reside, finding that the DOE had failed to provide sufficient notice and opportunity to comment on the requirement A n appellate court affirmed that ruling on June 5, 2012 and therefore this peav regulation is currently invalid. However all raisi that ruling on June 5, 2012 and therefore this new regulation is currently invalid. However, ai r, aiai

The federal government provides a substantial part of its support for postsecondary education through the Title IV programs, in the form of grants and loans to students. Students can use those funds at any institution that has been certified by the DOE to participate in the Title IV programs. A id under Title IV programs is primarily awarded on the basis of financial need, generally defined as the difference between the cost of attending the institution and the amount a student can reasonably contribute to that cost A II recipients of Title IV program funds must maintain satisfactory academic progress and must progress in a timely manner toward completion of their program of study. In addition, each school must ensure that Title IV program funds are properly accounted for and disbursed in the correct amounts to eligible students.

Our students receive loans and grants to fund their education under the following Title IV programs: (1) the Federal Direct Loan program, or Direct Loan and (2) the Federal Pell Grant program, or Pell.

Currently, the majority of A spen students self-finance all or a portion of their education. A dditionally, students may receive full or partial tuition reimbursement from their employers. Eligible students can also access private loans through a number of different lenders for funding at current market interest rates.

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Over the last several years, Congressional committees have held hearings related to for-profit postsecondary education institutions.

A ddiffionally, the chairmen of the House and Senate education committees, along with other members of Congress, asked the GA O, to review various aspects of the for-profit education sector, including recruitment practices, educational quality, student outcomes, the sufficiency of integrity safeguards against waste, fraud and abuse in Title IV programs, and the degree to which for-profit schools' revenue is comprised of Title IV and other federal funding sources. In 2010, the GA O released a report based on a three-month undercover investigation of recruiting practices at fror-profit schools. The report concluded that employees at a non-random sample of 15 for-profit schools (which did not include A spen) made deceptive statements to students about accreditation, graduation rates, job placement program costs, or financial aid. On October 31, 2011, the GA O released a second report following an additional undercover investigation related to enrollment cost financial aid, course structure, substandard student performance, withdrawal, and exit counseling. The report concluded that while some of the 15 unidentified for-profit schools investigated appeared to follow existing policies, others did not A I though the report integrity in the profit of the 15 unidentified for-profit schools investigated appeared to follow existing policies, others did not A I though the report integrity in the profit of the profit integrity is a proportion of the profit on the profit integrity in a public institutions beaded upon multiple outcome measures including graduation rates, pass rates on licensing exams, employment outcomes, and student j prem file of the inferior fertities in the inferior fer

<u>Financial Responsibility.</u> The Higher Education A ct and DOE regulations establish extensive standards of financial responsibility that institutions such as A spen must satisfy to participate in Title IV programs. These standards generally require that an institution provide the resources necessary to comply with Title IV program requirements and meet all of its financial obligations, including required refunds and any repayments to the DOE for liabilities incurred in programs administered by the DOE.

The DOE evaluates institutions on an annual basis for compliance with specified financial responsibility standards that include a complex formula that uses line items from the institution's audited financial statements. In addition, the financial responsibility standards require an institution to receive an unqualified opinion from its accountants on its audited financial statements, maintain sufficient cash reserves to satisfy refund requirements, meet all of its financial obligations, and remain current on its debt payments. The formula focuses on three financial ratios: (1) equity ratio (which measures the institution's capital resources, financial viability, and ability to borrow); (2) primary reserve ratio (which measures the institution's viability and liquidity); and (3) net income ratio (which measures the institution's profitability or ability to operate within its means). An institution's financial ratios must yield a composite score of at least 1.5 for the institution to be deemed financially responsible without the need for further federal oversight. The DOE may also apply such measures of financial responsibility to the operating company and ownership entities of an eligible institution. We have applied the composite score analysis to A spen's financial statements as of and for the year ended D ecember 31, 2011, and calculated a composite score of 1.75 out of a maximum score of 3.0. We therefore believe that we meet the DOE's composite score standards. However, our audited financial statements for the year ended D ecember 31, 2011 and 2012 contain a going concern opinion.

Under DOE regulations, even if an institution meets all of the other financial responsibility requirements, it is not considered to be financially responsible if the relevant financial statement audits contain a going concern opinion. If the DOE were to determine that we do not meet its financial responsibility standards, we may be able to establish financial responsibility on an alternative basis. Alternative bases include, for example:

• pesting a letter of credit in an amount equal to at least 50% of the total Title IV program funds received by us during our trtrtr atrahirvely 6 DOE'

Third-Party Servicers

DOE regulations permit an institution to enter into a written contract with a third-party servicer for the administration of any aspect of the institution's participation in Title IV programs. The third-party servicer must, among other obligations, comply with Title IV requirements and be jointly and severally liable with the institution to the Secretary of Education for any violation by the servicer of any Title IV provision. An institution must report to the DOE new contracts with or any significant modifications to contracts with third-party servicers as well as other matters related to third-party servicers. We contract with a third-party servicer which performs certain activities related to our participation in Title IV programs. If our third-party servicer does not comply with applicable statutes and regulations including the Higher Education A ct, we may be liable for its actions, and we could lose our eligibility to participate in Title IV programs.

Title IV Return of Funds. Under the DOE's return of funds regulations, when a student withdraws, an institution must return unearned funds to the DOE in a timely manner. An institution must first determine the amount of Title IV program funds that a student "earned." If the student withdraws during the first 60% of any period of enrollment or payment period, the amount of Title IV program funds that the student earned is equal to a promise profile of the student would otherwise be eligible. If the student withdraws after the 60% threshfold, ethern 100% of the Title IV program funds. The institution must return to the appropriate Title IV programs, in a specified order, the lesser of (i) the unearned Title IV program funds and (ii) the institution alcharges incurred by the student for the period multiplied by the percentage of unearned Title IV program funds. An institution must return the funds no later than 45 days after the date of the institution's determination that a student withdrew. If such payments are not timely made, an institution may be subject to adverRf may be subnerRf naigher

Incentive Compensation Rules As a part of an institution's program participation agreement with the DOE and in accordance with the Higher Education A ct, an institution may not provide any commission, bonus or other incentive payment to any person or entity engaged in any student recruitment, admissions or financial aid awarding activity based directly or indirectly on success in securing enrollments or financial aid. Failure to comply with the incentive payment rule could result in termination of participation in Title IV programs, or financial penalties. A spen believes it is in compliance with the incentive payment rule.

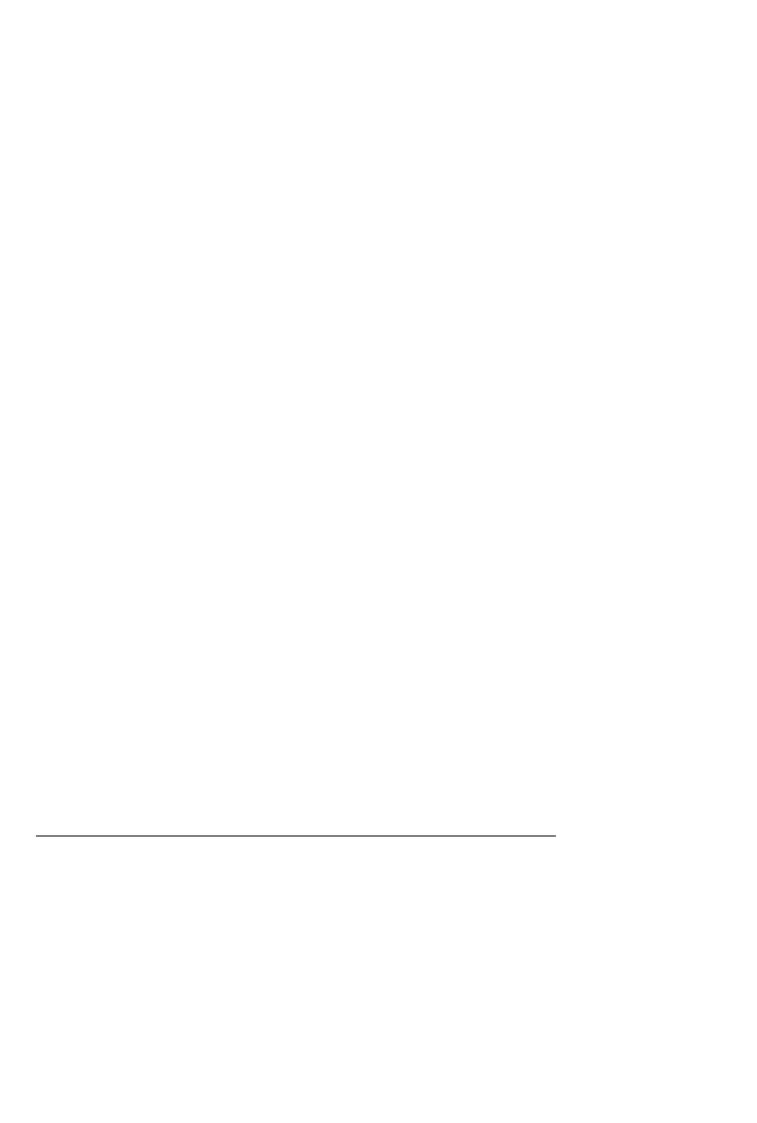
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Compliance Reviews. We are subject to announced and unannounced compliance reviews and audits by various external agencies, including the DOE, its Office of Inspector General, state licensing agencies, and accrediting agencies of sparitual figures. One paint of the DOE institutions administration of Title IV programs, the Higher Education A cerediting agencies of sparitual transitiutions to submit annually a compliance audit conducted by an independent deriffical public accountant in accordance with Government A uditing Standards and applicable audits standards statements contained in this prospectus. In addition, to enable the DOE to make a determination of financial responsibility, institutions must annually submit audited financial statements prepared in accordance with DOE regulations. Furthermore, the DOE regularly conducts program reviews of education institutions that are participating in the Title Office of Page 18 and 18 and Investigations of the DOE regulations against proprietary institutions of acceptable of the DOE regulations. The DOE regulations, the DOE planned to supplied the DOE regulation of the DOE regulations, the DOE planned to supplied the DOE regulation of the DOE regulations against proprietary institutions of deceptable of the DOE regulations and investigations of the DOE regulations against proprietary institutions of deceptable of the DOE regulations and investigations of the DOE regulations of the DOE regulations against proprietary institutions of deceptable of the DOE regulation of DOE regulations, the DOE planned to supplied the DOE regulation of the DOE regulation and the DOE regulations of the DOE regulations against proprietary institutions of deceptable of the DOE regulation and plantage of the DOE regulations. The DOE regulations are reviews of congress that in part in response to recent allegations against proprietary institutions of deceptable of the DOE regulation and the DOE regulations. The DOE regulation of the DOE regulation and the DOE regulation and the DOE regulati

Eligibility and Certification Procedures. Each institution must periodically apply to the DOE for continued certification to participate in Title IV programs. Such recertification is required every six years, but may be required earlier, including when an institution undergoes a change of control. An institution may come under the DOE's review when it expands its activities in certain ways, such as opening an additional location, adding a new program, or, in certain cases, when it modifies academic credentials that it offers.

The DOE may place an institution on provisional certification status if it finds that the institution does not fully satisfy all of the eligibility and certification standards and in certain other circumstances, such as when it undergoes a change in ownership and control. The DOE may more closely review an institution that is provisionally certified if it applies for approval to open a new location, add an educational program, acquire another school or make any other significant change.

In addition, during the period of provisional certification, the institution must comply with any additional conditions included in its  $plyal h ud s th_{s}^{d} s$ 



Paul Schneier has served as a director of A spen for approximately five years. Since A pril 2007, Mr. Schneier has been a Division President at PulteGroup, Inc. (NYSE: PHM), a homebuilding company. Prior to that, Mr. Schneier was a Division President at Beazer Homes USA, Inc. (NYSE: BZEH), a homebuilding company. Mr. Schneier was selected to serve as a director because of his management background.

Brad Powers served as our Chief Marketing Officer until March 1, 2013.

Except for Dr. D'A nton and Mr. Pasi, who are brother-in-laws, there are no family relationships among our directors and/or executive officers.

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#### Board Committees and Charters

The members of the Audit Committee are Sanford Rich, Chairman, David Pasi and C. James Jensen. Our Board has determined that each of the members are independent in accordance with the independence standards for audit committees under the NY SE MKT listing rules. The Board has also determined that Mr. Rich is an "A udit Committee Financial Expert". The Audit Committee has a written charter approved by the Roard.

The members of the Compensation Committee are Mr. Jensen, Chairman, Paul Schneier and John Scheibelhoffer, MD.

Our Board is expected to appoint a Nominating Committee, and to adopt charters relative to the Compensation Committee and the Nominating Committee, in the future. We intend to appoint such persons to the Nominating Committee of the Board as are expected to be required to meet the corporate governance requirements imposed by a national securities exchange, although we are not required to comply with such requirements until we elect to seek listing on a national securities exchange, and we are under no obligation to do so.

#### Code of Ethics

Our Board has adopted a Code of Ethics that applies to all of our employees, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer.

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#### Risk Assessment Regarding Compensation Policies and Practices as they Relate to Risk Management

Our compensation program for employees does not create incentives for excessive risk taking by our employees or involve risks that are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on us. Our compensation has the following risk-limiting characteristics:

- Our base pay programs consist of competitive salary rates that represent a reasonable portion of total compensation and provide a
  reliable level of income on a regular basis, which decreases incentive on the part of our executives to take unnecessary or imprudent
  risks;
- A portion of executive incentive compensation opportunity is tied to long-term incentive compensation that emphasizes sustained
  performance over time. This reduces any incentive to take risks that might increase short-term compensation at the expense of longer
  term company results.
- A wards are not tied to formulas that could focus executives on specific short-term outcomes;
- Equity awards may be recovered by us should a restatement of earnings occur upon which incentive compensation awards were based, or in the event of other wrongdoing by the recipient and
- Equity awards, generally, have multi-year vesting which aligns the long-term interests of our executives with those of our shareholders and, again, discourages the taking of short-term risk at the expense of long-term performance.

# Termination Provisions

The table below describes the severance payments that our executive officers are entitled to in connection with a termination of their employment upon death, disability, dismissal without cause, for Good Reason, a change of control and the non-renewal of their employment at the discretion of A spen Group. All of the termination provisions are intended to comply with Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Regulations thereunder.

	Michael Mathews	Gerald Williams	David Garrity	Angela Siegel
Death or Total Disability	Six months base salary	Three months base salary	Six months base salary	Six months base salary
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D ismissal Without Cause or Resignation for Good Reason (1)	12 months base salary (2)	The greater of three months base salary or the remainder of the base salary due under the employment agreement	The greater of 12 months base salary or the remainder of the base salary due under the employment agreement (2)	The greater of six months base salary or the remainder of the base salary due under the employment agreement
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Our Board may from time to time may alter, amend, suspend, or discontinue the Plan with respect to any shares as to which awards of stock rights have not been granted. However no rights granted with respect to any awards under the Plan before the amendment or alteration shall be impaired by any such amendment, except with the written consent of the grantee.

U nder the terms of the Plan, our Board may also grant awards which will be subject to vesting under certain conditions. The vesting may be time-based or based upon meeting performance standards, or both. Recipients of restricted stock awards will realize ordinary income at the time of vesting equal to the fair market value of the shares. We will realize a corresponding compensation deduction. U pon the exercise of stock options or stock appreciation rights, the holder will have a basis in the shares acquired equal to any amount paid on exercise plus the amount of any ordinary income recognized by the holder. U pon sale of the shares, the holder will have a capital gain or loss equal to the sale proceeds minus his or her basis in the shares.

The Plan and our standard Stock Option A greement provide for "clawback" provisions, which enable our Board to cancel options and recover past profits if the person is dismissed for cause or commits certain acts which harm us.

Equity Compensation Plan Information

The following chart reflects the number of securities granted and the weighted average exercise price for our compensation plans as of D exember 31, 2012.

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# Director Compensation

We do not pay cash compensation to our directors for service on our Board and our employees do not receive compensation for serving as members of our Board. Directors are reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in attending meetings and carrying out duties as board and committee members. Under the Plan, our non-employee directors receive grants of stock options as compensation for their services on our Board, as described above. Because we do not pay compensation to employee directors, Mr. Michael Mathews was not compensated for his service as a director and is omitted from the following table.

# Director Compensation for 2012

Name	Option Awards (\$) (1)	T otal (\$)
Michael D'Anton (2)	35,000	35,000
James Jensen (2)	35,000	35,000
David Pasi (2)	35,000	35,000
Sanford Rich (3)	35,000	35,000
John Scheibelhoffer (2)	35,000	35,000
Paul Schneier (2)	35.000	35.000

- (1) The amounts in this column represent the fair value of the award as of the grant date as computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718 and the recently revised SEC disclosure rules. These amounts represent awards that are paid in options to purchase shares of our common stock and do not reflect the actual amounts that may be realized by the directors. All of the options in this table are exercisable at \$0.35 per share.
- (2) Of these options, one-third vested immediately and the remaining vest in equal increments on May 20, 2013 and 2014, subject to continued service as a director on each applicable vesting date.
- (3) These options vest in equal increments on March 15, 2013, 2014 and 2015, subject to continued service as a director on each applicable vesting date.

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- (3) Mr. Garrity is our Chief Financial Officer and a selling shareholder. Includes: (i) 369,341 vested stock options and (ii) 25,000 shares underlying warrants.
- (4) Mr. Powers is our former Chief Marketing Officer. Includes 489,106 vested stock options.
- (5) Dr. D'Anton is a director and a selling shareholder. Includes 113,358 shares of common stock and 51,429 shares underlying warrants held as custodian for the benefit of Dr. D'Anton's children. Also includes 129,524 vested stock options.
- (6) Mr. Jenson is a director and a selling shareholder. Includes (i) 150,000 shares underlying warrants and (ii) 66,667 vested stock options.
- (7) A director. Includes 66,667 vested stock options.
- (8) A director. Includes 33,333 vested stock options.
- (9) Dr. Scheibelhoffer is a director and a selling shareholder. Includes 128,121 shares of common stock and 51,429 shares underlying warrants held as custodian for the benefit of Dr. Scheibelhoffer's children. Also includes 66,667 vested stock options.
- (10) Mr. Schneier is a director and a selling shareholder. Includes (i) 50,000 shares underlying warrants and (ii) 66,667 vested stock options.
- (11) In accordance with SEC rules, includes securities held by executive officers who are not Named Executive Officers.
- (12) Higher Education Management Group, Inc., or HEMG, is an entity controlled by A spen's former Chairman, Patrick Spada. A total of 772,793 shares of A spen Group common stock are pledged to A spen to secure payment of \$772,793 originally due in D ecember 2013, and now due in 2014. The shares not pledged to A spen Group are subject to a lien which is further described beginning on page 64.
- (13) A tinception, A spen issued all of its 10 million shares of authorized common stock to HEMG. In order to raise money over a five-year period, A spen sold shares and HEMG relinquished and returned to A spen's treasury the number of shares A spen sold. Due to some derical errors, 120,500 shares owned by HEMG were not cancelled by Mr. Spada's personal assistant Due to this pattern, A spen does not believe that it sold shares improperly. In support of this, HEMG agreed not to sell 120,500 shares pending resolutions in connection with the A pril A greement (described on page 66). Therefore, A spen Group does not believe that it has any exposure to liability in these manners. A spen Group is relying on its transfer records for information concerning HEMG's beneficial ownership.

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# SELLING SHAREHOLDERS

The following table provides information about each selling shareholder listing how many shares of our common stock they own on the date of this prospectus, how many shares are offered for sale by this prospectus, and the number and percentage of outstanding shares each selling shareholder will own after the offering assuming all shares covered by this prospectus are sold. Except as disclosed in this prospectus, none of the selling shareholders have had any position, office, or material relationship with us or our affiliates within the past three years. The information concerning beneficial ownership has been taken from our stock transfer records and information provided by the selling shareholders. Information concerning the sith ollake  $\hat{e}$  q

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- (3) Jon D. Gruber is the trustee of the selling shareholder.
- (4) Michael Finkelstein has the power to vote and dispose of the securities held by the selling shareholder.
- (5) Samuel DelPresto is the manager of the selling shareholder. Does not include 1,000,000 shares of common stock beneficially owned by a 2006 that controlled by Mr. DelPresto.
- (6) Stanley Garber has the power to vote and dispose of the securities held by the selling shareholder.
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In May 2011, the following investments in A spen's Series A or Series A Preferred Stock offering were made directly or indirectly by our officers and/or directors:

- D avid Pasi invested \$30,000 for 31,500 shares of Series A.
- Sanford Rich, who was not affiliated with A spen at the time, invested \$25,000 for 26,250 shares of Series A
- C. James Jensen invested \$50,000 for 52,500 shares of Series A.
- Michael Mathews invested \$150,000 for 157,500 shares of Series A.
- David Garrity, who was not affiliated with A spen at the time, invested \$25,000 for 26,250 shares of Series A.
- In May 2011, the following investments in A spen's Series B Preferred Stock, or Series B, offering were made directly or indirectly by officers and/or directors:
- Michael Mathews invested \$50,000 for 52,631 shares of Series B.
- John Scheibelhoffer invested \$31,500 for 33,157 shares of Series B.
- Michael D'A nton invested \$7,500 for 7,894 shares of Series B.

- In September 2011, the following investments in Series C were made directly or indirectly by officers and/or directors:
- John Scheibelhoffer invested \$50,000 for 188,457 shares of Series C.
- Michael D'A nton invested \$50,000 for 188,457 shares of Series C.
- C. James Jensen invested \$53,062 for 200,000 shares of Series C.
- D avid E. Pasi invested \$50,000 for 188,457 shares of Series C.
- David Garrity invested \$25,053 for 94,430 shares of Series C.
- Michael Mathews invested \$238,209.94 for 897,848 shares of Series C.
- G erald Williams invested \$25,000 for 94,229 shares of Series C
- The Series C shares were sold by HEMG, not A spen.

On A pril 10, 2012, HEMG, Spada, A spen Group and one other person entered into an A greement, which we refer to as the A pril A greement, under which HEMG sold 400,000 shares of common stock of A spen Group for \$200,000 to individuals who were not executive officers or directors of A spen Group. In connection with the A pril A greement, A spen Group guaranteed that it would purchase 600,000 shares at \$0.50 per share within 90 days of the A pril A greement and agreed to use it is best efforts to purchase an additional 1,400,000 shares of common stock at \$0.50 per shares within 180 days from the date of the A pril A greement. A group of predominately existing shareholders purchased 336,000 shares of common stock at \$0.50 per share and A spen Group purchased 264,000 shares after the 90 day period had expired: Spada cashed the check without reserving his rights or protesting at the late payment. We have been advised by counsel that this means that the agreement of HEMG and Spada not to sue us is binding.

No additional shares were purchased at that time because A spen Group could not sell its own common stock at a price that high. In D ecember 2012, A spen Group purchased 200,000 of HEMG's shares for \$0.35 per share. Provided that HEMG and Mr. Spada meet their obligations under the A pril A greement, A spen Group agreed to allow HEMG and Mr. Spada to privately sell up to 500,000 shares privately which are subject to the lock-up agreement described above provided that the purchaser agreed to be bound by the terms of the lock-up. A dditionally, under the A pril A greement, HEMG and Mr. Spada agreed not to commence any lawsuit, or cooperate in any lawsuit against us, except in an action, daim or lawsuit which is brought against HEMG or Mr. Spada by us in which case HEMG and Mr. Spada may assert any counterclaim or cross-daim against A spen. See page 45 for a description of a lawsuit brought by Mr. Spada and HEMG against A spen Group. A dditionally, A spen agreed to extend the due date on the \$772,793 receivable to September 30, 2014.

A number of years ago Dr. Michael D'Anton lent Aspen \$25,000 of which \$22,000 was owed at September 30, 2012. The loan was not disclosed on Aspen's balance sheet. In November 2012, Dr. D'Anton cancelled Aspen's obligation in exchange for 62,857 five-year vested options exercisable at \$0.35 per share.

A dditionally, directors and an executive officer have purchased securities in A spen Group's private placement offerings on the same terms as other investors.

See page 49 for a discussion of director independence.

In addition, our Certificate of Incorporation grants our Board broad power to establish the rights and preferences of authorized and unissued shares of preferred stock. The issuance of shares of preferred stock could decrease the amount of earnings and assets available for distribution to holders of shares of common stock. The issuance also may adversely affect the rights and powers, including voting rights, of those holdbainslaaind ussang havtaeet treaseff cait too f delyaying, Feleterring or preventing a change in control of usell.

Cumulative Voting. Our Certificate of Incorporation does not provide for cumulative voting in the election of directors which would allow holders of less than a majority of the stock to elect some directors.

Vacancies. Our bylaws provide that vacancies on the Board may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of directors then in office, even if less than a quorum.

Special Meeting of Shareholders. A special meeting of shareholders may only be called by the Board.

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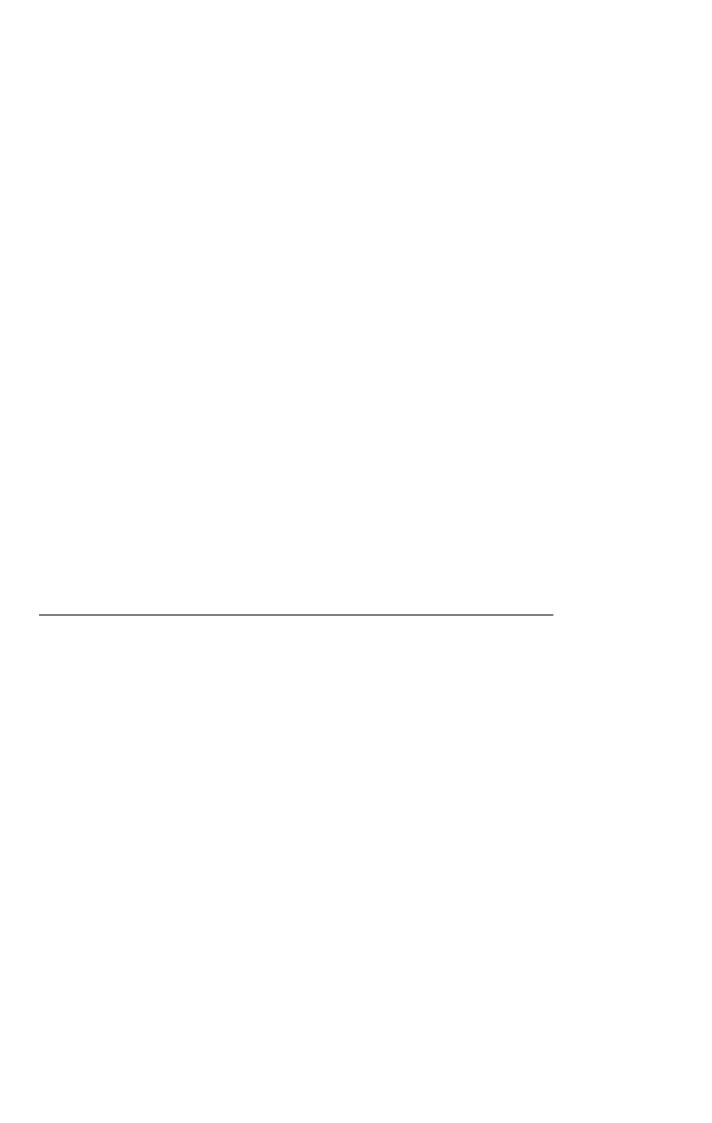
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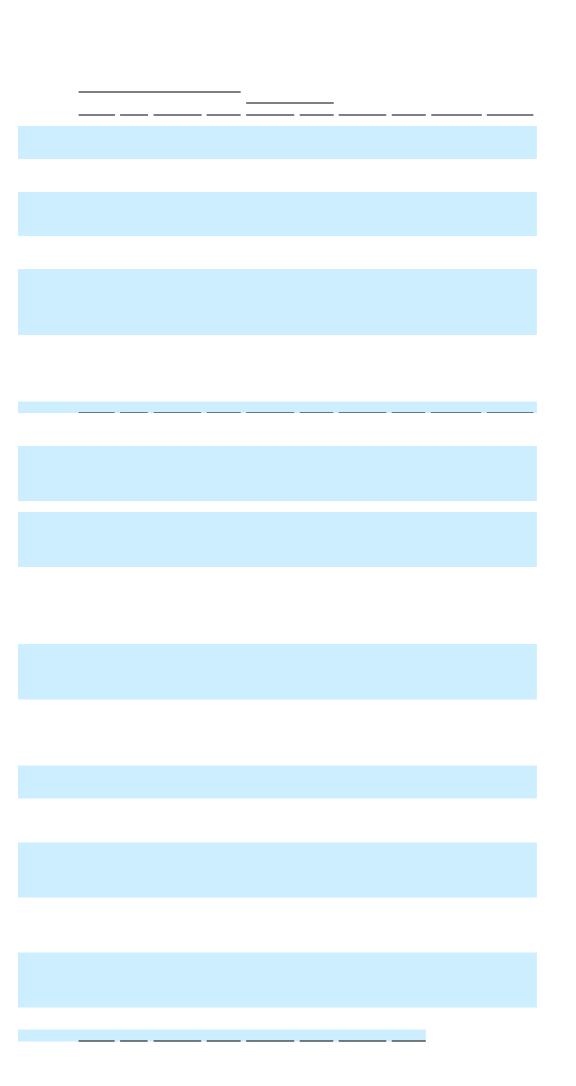
A ction Stock Transfer Corp. is our transfer agent located at 2469 E. Fort Union Boulevard, Suite 214, Salt Lake City, Utah 84121.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the securities offered hereby will be passed upon for us by Nason, Y eager, G erson, White & Lioce, P.A., West Palm Beach, Florida. An employee of this firm beneficially owns 312,260 shares of commrooe of omr oloy in the securities of the securitie



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Note 1. Nature of Operations and Going Concern

#### Overview

A spen G roup, Inc. (together with its subsidiaries, the "Company" or "A spen") was founded in Colorado in 1987 as the International School of Information Management. On September 30, 2004, it was acquired by Higher Education Management Group, Inc. ("HEMG") and changed its name to A spen University Inc. On May 13, 2011, the Company formed a Colorado subsidiary, A spen University Marketing, LLC, which was inactive and was formally dissolved on November 20, 2012. On March 13, 2012, the Company was recapitalized in a reverse merger (See Note 12). A II references to the Company or A spen before March 13, 2012 are to A spen University, Inc.

A spen's mission is to become an institution of choice for adult learners by offering cost-effective, comprehensive, and relevant online education. One of the key differences between A spen and other publicly-traded, exclusively online, for-profit universities is that approximately 87% of our degree-seeking students (as of December 31, 2012) were enrolled in graduate degree programs (Master or Doctorate degree program). Since 1993, we have been nationally accredited by the Distance Education and Training Council ("DETC"), a national accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (the "DOE").

Merger with Education Growth Corporation

On May 19, 2011, the Company closed an A greement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger A greement") wherein the Company acquired Education Growth Corporation, Inc. ("EGC"), a privately-held corporation formed in D elaware on January 21, 2011. EGC merged with and into A spen University Inc. and A spen University Inc. was the surviving corporation.

The consideration with respect to the merger with EGC consisted of 3,200,000 common shares of the Company. EGC was not an operating company and it did not meet the definition of a business for business combination accounting. EGC did possess intellectual property and, accordingly, the merger was accounted for as an asset acquisition. Since the stockholders of EGC acquired more than a 10% voting interest in the Company, the asset acquisition was accounted for in accordance with Staff A ccounting Bulletin, Topic 5G, "Transfers of Nonmonetary A ssets by Promoters or Shareholders". A ccordingly, the assets acquired in the merger have been recorded at the transferors' historical cost basis determined under GAAP. The net purchase price, including acquisition costs paid, was allocated to assets acquired and liabilities assumed as follows:

Current assets (including cash of \$3,200)	\$ 3,200
Intangible assets	-
Liabilities assumed	-
N et purchase price	\$ 3,200

Intangible assets acquired include a proprietary database of education-specific media publishers, a database of key words and performance metrics specific to the internet search channel of the education market, and a proprietary lead database processing architecture.

#### Going Concern

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Revenue Recognition and Deferred Revenue

Revenues consist primarily of tuition and fees derived from courses taught by the Company online as well as from related educational resources that the Company provides to its students, such as access to our online materials and learning management system. Tuition revenue is recognized pro-rata over the applicable period of instruction. The Company maintains an institutional tuition refund policy, which provides for all or a portion of tuition to be refunded if a student withdraws during stated refund periods. Certain states in which students reside impose separate, mandatory refund policies, which override the Company's policy to the extent in conflict. If a student

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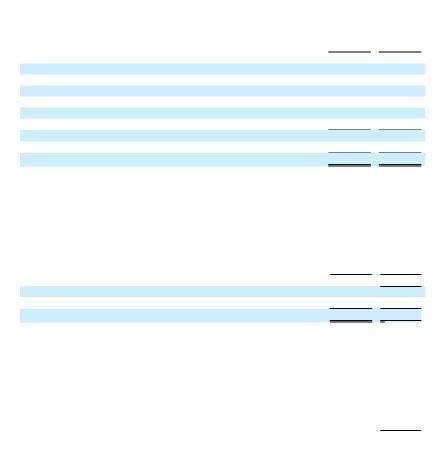
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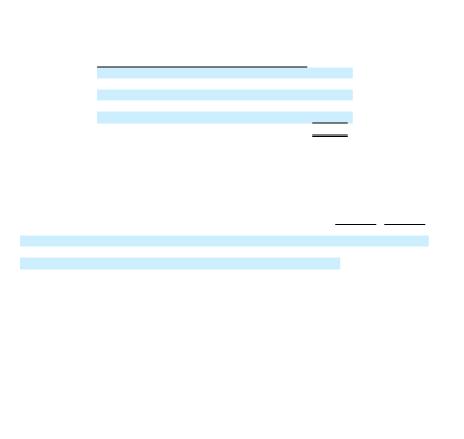
Note 4 Segured Accounts and Notes Receivable - Related Parties

On September 21, 2011, the Company Ioaned \$238,210 to its CEO in exchange for a promissory note bearing 3% per annum. As collateral, the note was secured by 40,000 shares of common stock of interclick, Inc. (a publicly-traded company) owned personally by the CEO. The note along with accrued interest was due and payable on June 21, 2012. For the year ended December 31, 2011, interest income of \$1,867 was recognized. On December 20, 2011, the note along with accrued interest of \$1,867 was paid in full (See Note 15).

On December 14, 2011, the Company loaned \$150,000 to an officer of the Company in exchange for a promissory note bearing 3% per annum. As collateral, the note was secured by 500,000 shares of the Company's common stock owned personally by the officer. The note along with accrued interest was due and payable on September 14, 2012. During the year ended December 31, 2011, interest income of \$210 was recognized on the note receivable and is included in other current assets. As of December 31, 2011, the balance due on the note receivable was \$150,000, all of which is short-term. During the year ended December 31, 2012, interest income of \$594 was recognized on the note receivable. On February 16, 2012, the note receivable from an officer was repaid along with accrued interest (See Note 15).

On March 30, 2008 and December 1, 2008, the Company sold courseware pursuant to marketing agreements to HEMG, a related party and principal stockholder of the Company whose president is Mr. Patrick Spada, the former Chairman of the Company, in the amount of \$455,000 and \$600,000, respectively; UCC filings were filed accordingly. Under the marketing agreements, the receivables are due net 60 months. On September 16, 2011, HEMG pledged 772, 793 Series C preferred shares (automatically converted to 654,850 common shares on March 13, 2012) of the Company as collateral for this account receivable. On March 8, 2012, due to the impending reduction in the value of the collateral as the result of the Series C conversion ratio and the Company's inability to engage Mr. Spada in good faith negotiations to increase HEMG's pledge, Michael Mathews, the Company's CEO, pledged 117,943 common shares of the Company, owned personally by him, valued at \$1.00 per share based on recent sales of capital stock as additional collateral to the accounts receivable, secured - related party. On March 13, 2012, the Company deemed the receivables stemming from the sale of courseware curricula to be in default On A pril 4, 2012, the Company entered into an agreement with: (i) an individual, (ii) HEMG, a related party and principal stockholder of the Company whose president is Mr. Patrick Spada, the former Chairman of the Company and (iii) Mr. Patrick Spada. Under the agreement, (a) the individual purchased and HEMG sold to the individual 400,000 common shares of the Company at \$0.50 per share: (b) the Company guaranteed it would purchase at least 600,000 common shares of the Company at \$0.50 per share within 90 days of the agreement and the Company would use its best efforts to purchase from HEMG and resell to investors an additional 1,400,000 common shares of the Company at \$0.50 per share within 180 days of the agreement (c) provided HEMG and Mr. Patrick Spada fulfilled their obligations under (a) and (b) above, the Company shall consent to additional private transfers by HEMG and/or Mr. Patrick Spada of up to 500,000 common shares of the Company on or before March 13, 2013; (d) HEMG agreed to not sell, pledge or otherwise transfer 142,500 common shares of the Company pending resolution of a dispute regarding the Company's claim that HEMG sold 131,500 common shares of the Company without having enough authorized shares and a stockholder did not receive 11,000 common shares of the Company owed to him as a result of a stock dividend; and (e) the Company waived any default of the accounts receivable, secured - related party and extend the due date to September 30, 2014. As of September 30, 2012, third party investors purchased 336,000 shares for \$168,000 and the Company purchased 264,000 shares for \$132,000 per section (b) above. Based on proceeds received on September 28, 2012 under a private placement at \$0.35 per unit (consisting of one common share and one-half of a warrant exercisable at \$0.50 per share), the value of the aforementioned collateral decreased. A coordingly, as of December 31, 2012, the Company has recognized an allowance of \$502,315 for this account receivable. As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, the balance of the account receivable, net of allowance, was \$270,478 and \$772,793 and is shown as accounts receivable, secured - related party, net (See Notes 12





#### Convertible Notes Payable

On March 6, 2011, the Company authorized the issuance of up to \$350,000 of convertible notes that were convertible into Series B preferred shares at \$0.95 per share, bearing interest of 6% per annum. The notes were convertible beginning after the closing of the EGC Merger (See Note 1). As of May 13, 2011, the Company had received an aggregate of \$328,000 (of which \$73,000 was received from related parties) from the sale of convertible notes. The Company evaluated the convertible notes and determined that, for the embedded conversion option, there was no beneficial conversion value to record. In addition, the Company issued an aggregate of \$22,000 (of which \$16,000 was to related parties) of convertible notes for services rendered. In May 2011, \$350,000 of the convertible notes were converted into 368,411 Series B preferred shares (See Notes 12 and 15).

As part of the recapitalization that occurred on March 13, 2012, the Company assumed from the public entity an aggregate of \$20,000 of convertible notes bearing interest at 10% per annum. Each note holder had the right to convert all or a portion of the principal amount of the note into shares of the Company's common stock at the conversion price of the next equity offering of the Company. The notes meet the criteria of stock settled debt under A SC 480, "Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity", and accordingly were presented at their fixed monetary amount of \$20,000. The convertible notes were past due as of the date of assumption and, accordingly, the Company was in default. In A pril 2012, the convertible notes payable of \$20,000 were converted into 20,000 common shares of the Company and, accordingly, the default was cured (See Note 12).

On February 25, 2012, February 27, 2012 and February 29, 2012, loans payable to an individual, another individual and a related party (the brother of Patrick Spada, the former Chairman of the Company), of \$100,000, \$50,000 and \$50,000, respectively, were converted into two-year convertible promissory notes, bearing interest of 0.1% per annum. Beginning March 31, 2012, the notes are convertible into common shares of the Company at the rate of \$1.00 per share. The Company evaluated the convertible notes and determined that, for the embedded conversion option, there was no beneficial conversion value to record as the conversion price is considered to be the fair market value of the common shares on the note issue dates. As these loans (now convertible promissory notes) are not due for at least 12 months after the balance sheet, they have been included in long-term liabilities as of December 31, 2012 (See Notes 8 and 15).

On March 13, 2012, the Company's CEO loaned the Company \$300,000 and received a convertible promissory note due March 31, 2013, bearing interest at 0.19% per annum. The note is convertible into common shares of the Company at the rate of \$1.00 per share upon five captive that the properties of the company availabled the convertible note and determined that for the embedded conversion or interest of the company availabled the convertible note and determined that for the embedded conversion or interest of the company availabled the convertible note and determined that for the embedded conversion or interest of the company availabled the convertible note and determined that for the embedded conversion or interest of the conversion of the conve

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On May 1, 2012, the Company issued a convertible note payable to a consultant in the amount of \$49,825 in exchange for past services rendered, of which \$38,175 pertains to the nine months ended September 30, 2012. The note bore interest at 0.19% per annum, had a maturity date of September 30, 2012, and was convertible into the Company's common shares at the R25 i oml. Utah

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Because A spen University operates in a highly regulated industry, it may be subject from time to time to audits, investigations, claims of noncompliance or lawsuits by governmental agencies or third parties, which allege statutory violations, regulatory infractions or common law causes of action.

Return of Title IV Funds

An institution participating in Title IV programs must correctly calculate the amount of unearned Title IV program funds that have been disbursed to students who withdraw from their educational programs before completion and must return those unearned funds in a timely manner, generally within 45 days of the date the school determines that the student has withdrawn. Under Department regulations, failure to make timely returns of Title IV program funds for 5% or more of students sampled on the institution's annual compliance audit in either of its two most recently completed fiscal years can result in the institution having to post a letter of credit in an amount equal to 25% of its required Title IV returns during its most recently completed fiscal year. If unearned funds are not properly calculated and returned in a timely manner, an institution is also subject to monetary liabilities or an action to impose a fine or to limit suspend or terminate its participation in Title IV programs.

Delaware Approval to Confer Degrees

A spen University is a Delaware corporation. Delaware law requires an institution to obtain approval from the Delaware Department of Education ("Delaware DOE") before it may incorporate with the power to confer degrees. On July 3, Iy noorporate with stit claimrannetary litucal at Department of

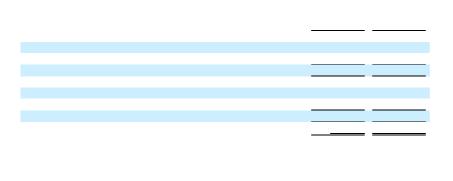
On May 20, 2011, as part of a post-closing transaction of the merger with EGC, the Company's largest stockholder exchanged all 11,307,450 common shares owned into 11,307,450 Series C shares. The Series C shares had the following features: (i) equal voting rights as the common shares; (ii) automatically convert to common shares at the time the Company is required to file Forms 10-Q and 10-K with the SEC (the \*SEC Reporting Date\*); (iii) a conversion ratio of 0.8473809 shares of common for each share of Series C; (iv) until the SEC Reporting Date, transfer restricted to permitted transfers; (v) exclusion from the two-for-one stock split effectuated immediately prior to the SEC Reporting Date (See Note 15); and (vi) a liquidation preference of \$0.001 per share.

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# A SPEN GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

On September 16, 2011, the Company entered into a two-year consulting agreement with the former Chairman of the Company in which the Company was obligated to pay \$11,667 per month. On September 28, 2011, the Company prepaid 13 months of the consulting agreement, or \$151,667, which was then amortized until D ecember 31, 2011, at which time the consulting agreement was terminated and the reparaiding form that the proposition of the consulting agreement was a consulting agreement (See Note 10).

During 2011, the Company sold an aggregate of 850,395 Series A E exit gratator action Q

#### PART II. INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

## ITEM 13. OTHER EXPENSES OF ISSUANCE AND DISTRIBUTION.

The following table sets forth the costs and expenses payable by us in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities being registered hereunder. All of the amounts shown are estimates, except for the SEC Registration Fees.

SEC registration fees	\$ 7,488
Printing expenses	\$ 3,000
A ccounting fees and expenses	\$ 5,000
Legal fees and expenses	\$ 40,000
Blue sky fees	\$ 1,400
Miscellaneous	\$ 612
Total	\$ 57,500

#### ITEM 14. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

Our Certificate of Incorporation provides that none of our directors will be personally liable to us or our shareholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for liability:

## SIGNATURES

In accordance with the requirements of the Securities A ct of 1933, has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized, in the City of New Y ork, State of New Y ork, on March 25, 2013.

ASPEN GROUP, INC.

Ву:	/s/Michael Mathews
	Michael Mathews,
	Chief Executive Officer

	Chief Executive Officer					
inen f	In accordance with the requirement	s of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons				

### EXHIBIT INDEX

		Incorporated by Reference		Filed or Furnished	
Exhibit#	E xhibit Description	Form	Date	Number	Herewith
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2.1	Certificate of Merger	8-K	3/19/12	21	
2.2	A greement and Plan of Merger	8-K	3/19/12	2.2	
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3.6	FL Articles of Incorporation	S-1/A	5/5/10	3.1	
5.1	Opinion Regarding Legality				Filed
10.1	Employment A greement - Mathews**	8-K	3/19/12	10.1	
10.2	Employment A greement – Garrity **	8-K	3/19/12	10.2	
10.3	Employment A greement - Powers**	8-K	3/19/12	10.3	
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10.8	September 16, 2011 Spada A greement	8-K	3/19/12	10.6	
10.9	Consulting A greement - Spada	8-K	3/19/12	10.7	
10.10	Lock-Up/Leak-Out A greement - Spada	8-K	3/19/12	10.8	
10.10	Form of Lock-Up/Leak-Out A greement - Officers and Directors	8-K	3/19/12	10.9	
10.11	Spada / HEMG A pril 2012 A greement	8-K /A	5/7/12	10.19	
10.12	Spada - Indemnification A greement	8-K /A	5/7/12	10.19	
10.13	Form of Directors Indemnification A greement	8-K /A	5/7/12	10.21	
10.14	Stock Pledge A greement - Mathews dated March 8, 2012	8-K	3/19/12	10.21	
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10.17	Form of Convertible Note - Mathews - \$1.00		2/11/13	10.17	
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10.19	Form of Convertible Note - Private Placement	10-Q	8/20/12	10.5	
10.20	Form of Warrant – Private Placement	10-Q	8/20/12	10.6	
10.21	2012 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended	S-1	2/11/13	10.21	
10.22	Form of Stock Option A greement	8-K	3/19/12	10.14	
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10.24	Form of Warrant - September Private Placement	8-K	10/1/12	10.3	
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10.25	Placement	8-K	10/1/12	10.2	
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10.27	Form of Salary Reduction A greement	S-1	10/1/12	10.27	
	Form of Securities Purchase A greement - September Private				
10.28	Placement	8-K	10/1/12	10.1	
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10.29	Placement	8-K	12/17/12	10.1	
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10.31	Form of Warrant - December Private Placement	8-K1	12/17/12		

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Nason, Yeager, Gerson White & Lioce, P.A. 1645 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd., Suite 1200 West Palm Beach, FL 33401

March 25, 2013

A spen Group, Inc. 720 South Colorado Blvd. Ste. 1150N Denver, CO 80246 A ttention: Mr. Michael Mathews, CEO

Re: A spen Group, Inc. /Form S-1/A

Dear Mr. Mathews:

A tyour request, we have examined the Registration Statement on Form S-1/A (the "Registration Statement") filed by A spen Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), with the Securities and Exchange Commission, in connection with the registration under the Securities A ct of 1933 (the "A ct") of up to 23,546,397 shares of the Company's common stock of which 17,253,130 have been issued and 6,293,267 will be issued upon the exercise of outstanding warrants.

In rendering this opinion, we have examined such matters of fact as we have deemed necessary in order to render the opinion set forth herein, which included examination of: the Company's Certificate of Incorporation, Bylaws, minutes of meetings and actions by written consent of the Company's Board of Directors, the financial statements contained in the Prospectus, information supplied by the Company and its stock transfer agent and other information we deemed appropriate for purposes of this opinion. In our examination of documents for purposes of this opinion, we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to authentic original documents of all copies submitted to us as conformed and certified or reproduced copies.

The opinions expressed herein are limited to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, as currently in effect, and we express no opinion as to the effect of any other law of the State of Delaware or the laws of any other jurisdiction.

In connection with our opinions expressed below, we have assumed that, at or prior to the time of the issuance and the delivery of any shares, the Registration Statement will have been declared effective under the Act, that the shares will have been registered under the Act pursuant to the Registration Statement and that such registration will not have been modified or rescinded, and that there will not have occurred any change in law affecting the validity of the issuance of such shares.

Based upon the foregoing, we are of the opinion that of the 23,546,397 shares of common stock being registered, 17,253,130 are validly issued, duly authorized, fully paid and non-assessable, and 6,293,267 shares, when issued, sold and delivered in the manner and for the consideration stated in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, will be validly issued, duly authorized, fully paid and non-assessable.

We hereby consent to being named in the Registration Statement, to the use of this opinion as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement and to the reference to our firm under the caption "Legal Matters" in the Prospectus that is a part of the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not hereby admit that we are acting within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the rules or regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission thereunder.

This opinion is solely for your benefit and may not be relied upon by any person without our prior written consent

V ery truly yours,

/s/Nason, Yeager, Gerson, White & Lioce, P.A.

Nason, Yeager, Gerson, White & Lioce, P.A.

## Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We hereby consent to the use of our report dated March 18, 2013, on the consolidated financial statements of A spen Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries for the years ended D ecember 31, 2012 and 2011, included herein on the registration statement of A spen Group, Inc. on Form S-1 A mendment No. 1, and to the reference to our firm under the heading "Experts" in the prospectus.

/s/Salberg & Company, P.A.

SALBERG & COMPANY, P.A. Boca Raton, Florida March 25, 2013