Aleph Working Group September 13, 2007 10:30 - noon Hesburgh 222A

Attending: Phil Andrzejewski, Aaron Bales, Kevin Blowers, Pascal Calarco (recording), Tom Hanstra, Mandy Havert, Judy Kendall, Sarah Kolda, Mary McKeown, Tracey Morton, Pam Nicholas, Lisa Stienbarger

Regrets: Sue Dietl, Kitty Marschall

Agenda:

1) Welcome Sarah and Tracey (all)

- Pascal welcomed Sarah Kolda, Assistant Director, Holy Cross College Library, to the group. Sarah will be attending AWG to represent Holy Cross. Tracey Morton is taking over Circulation and Course Reserves responsibility from Judy Kendall, who takes over from Sue Dietl.

2) Service pack scheduling (Pascal) - we are currently at 1002, 1222 is available - ACQ: 14 ARC: 2 CAT: 53 CIRC: 14 EDI: 1 GUI: 8 ILL: 63 PRINT: 1 RESERVES: 1 SERIALS: 5 WEB: 19 XSERVER: 1 Z39.50: 4 - do we still want to process these bi-monthly? - download last Wednesday of month; install by Friday; review starts following Monday, open for two weeks; following Thursday moves into production over lunchtime - 9/26 download; install by 9/28; review starts 10/1, ends 10/12; production 10/18 - we will also do November/December SP update

3) How long to keep Aleph 16 on lib5 around for? (Tom)

- Tom asked if anyone needed access to lib5 anymore. No one does, so Tom will be taking Aleph 16 off of lib5 ASAP

4) Update from Ex Libris re: Aleph (Pascal) - Aleph 20 will be last version of Aleph, released in 4Q 2008 or 1Q 2009 - Voyager 8.5 will be last release of Voyager, released approximately same time - both products will continue to be supported, although not substantially enhanced, for "many years to come" - realistically, perhaps 3-5 years after last version, IMO - Primo is Ex Libris' "front office" component for Resource Discovery - new "back office" system will begin to be released 2010-2012 - codenamed "Unified Resource Management"; modular in approach, loosely coupled - Ex Libris had initial strategy session with ELUNA and IGeLU meeting last week - want to hear from customers what business processes need to be planned for for 5th generation of library system

MALC Directors are interested in the following: ° shared view of our library resources is desirable, what are the options? ° regarding circulation, would be desirable to get circ info & stats, e.g. circ, patron demographics and checkout, add ILL data to the mix ° what are options for ground delivery service (Info Express) to increase MALC circulation – 5 day at min. ° streamline ILL to circ function among MALC/ direct request

- Pascal is waiting for complete transcripts of the meeting - Pascal will send the MALC Directors and Notre Dame Associate Directors the Aleph consortia models overview that was handed out at the IGeLU meeting - the group noted that the Patron Direct Queue function is currently not available to us, as we have duplicate item barcodes across the four institutions, which dates from NOTIS-era records; these are slowly being rebarcoded at Notre Dame, but need rebarcoding at the other three institutions as well

5) Aleph 18 AWG Projects (all)

- there was some discussion about how to approach setting up the DeBartolo Aleph use; currently we have the other external collections set up in CAMPR; after some discussion, we decided to set up a new sublibrary
for this, and Pascal suggested that we set up a new base (NDU01OIT) for the web OPAC - Circulation Working Group is concentrating on personnel changes over the next few months - they are also interested in working on putting holds on pieces that have an item process status - Aaron suggested that item statuses can be defined as closed stacks, when then makes them requestable via web OPAC - ScreenDesign is working on implementing the WorldCat and GetIt links in the catalog; this is currently in test, and can be moved to production soon - there were only a few additional projects to add to the LSD projects list: 1) Clean up bad 035 OCLC fields: Jean Cane has been working on this, with reports that Phil has produced for her 2) Clean up bibliographic records for Notre Dame. There are approximately 300,000 pre-OCLC records in Aleph, which are not reflected in our OCLC holdings. This has caused problems for retrospective purchasing projects such as Dave Jenkins' History Fiesta Bowl project, and negates the availability of these materials via ILL. Pascal asked if this is a problem for the other MALCs; Kevin responded that it wasn't for Bethel.

6) Farewell Sue (all)

- originally we were going to say farewell to Sue and go out to lunch after the meeting, but Sue was sick, so we decided to defer this until the October meeting. Judy took the card that all AWG members signed and the flowers and delivered them to Sue

7) Other items (all)

- there were no other items for discussion, so we ended a few minutes early

-- PascalCalarco - 27 Sep 2007

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