MOBIUS
Linking Missouri's Academic Libraries

Summary of the Agency Project
MOBIUS Council Meeting
June 5, 2007

Agency:

The Agency Project is a project to move the libraries on MOBIUS maintained servers from the Institution (Cluster) INN-Reach Model to the Agency INN-Reach Model. This will allow the libraries on the servers to be identified as belonging to an agency rather than a cluster.

Progress Report:

The Missouri State Library has awarded a Library Services and Technology Act grant to the MOBIUS Consortium Office for the purchase and implementation of Agency. Requisition documentation has been forwarded to the University of Missouri Procurement Office to purchase this software and installation services from Innovative Interfaces Inc. MCO is ready to begin the implementation of Agency.

A quote from III dated March 16, 2006 details the number of Agencies as follows:

- The MOBIUS Clusters, other than MERLIN, will receive one Agency "for each library licensed for INN-Reach."
- The MERLIN Cluster will receive one Agency per campus (4), plus one Agency for each law school (2).

There are two parts to the conversion:

- The MOBI server needs to be updated with additional information about the agencies. The pricing for this is done on a per job/run basis @ $2500 per run.
- Each server that will contain agencies needs current outstanding INN-Reach circ transactions converted to reflect agencies. There are 10 servers that require conversion for a cost of $40,000.

The total cost of the conversion is $42,500 if all conversions are done at the same time. These are one time service fees and are not subject to a maintenance increment. Requests for additional agency codes will be considered during FY2008 after Agency has been implemented.

Note that once a cluster has been converted, if additional libraries join the cluster, they will automatically be added as an agency and no conversion is needed. Their license for an additional library will include the agency software.

A list of agencies covered in the grant and quote is at the end of this document. St. Louis University, Springfield-Greene County Library, and Missouri River Regional Library are already agency sites and not covered in the quote. Washington University is also not covered in the quote and is not planning on converting to the Agency Model.

Considerations for Agency Sites:

Holds cannot be transferred between agencies.

Currently:
Cluster and INN-Reach holds on an item can be transferred from one library within the cluster to another library within the same cluster.

With Agency:
Cluster holds can still be transferred from one library within the cluster to another library within the same cluster. INN-Reach holds cannot be transferred between agencies. When a library cannot fill an INN-Reach request, the library will cancel the hold and INN-Reach will automatically reassign the request to another MOBIUS Agency.

INN-Reach hold fulfillment

Currently:
INN-Reach first checks the patron's own cluster for hold fulfillment. If an item is available in the patron's own cluster, the hold becomes a cluster hold. If an item is not available at the patron's own cluster, INN-Reach places the hold based on available items in MOBIUS and the request balancing table.

With Agency:
INN-Reach will first check the patron's own Agency for hold fulfillment. If an item is available at the patron's own Agency, the hold will become a local hold. If an item is not available at the patron's own Agency, INN-Reach will not automatically check the patron's home cluster next; the hold will be placed based on available items within MOBIUS as a whole and the request balancing table.

Display of electronic resource links in the MOBIUS Union Catalog

Currently:
The current practice of MOBIUS libraries for electronic resources is to place an 856 field in the bib record for each holding library. The Library column in MOBIUS displays the cluster name (see the last three lines in the screen shot, below).

Title **Supporting learning and teaching [electronic resource] / edited by Christine Bold.**
Published London : David Fulton, 2004.

Click "Display Holdings" for additional links
UMK Access

HOLDINGS FOR MOBIUS CENTRAL DATABASE
REQUEST THIS ITEM

ARCHWAY	LANCE	QUEST
ARTHUR	MERLIN	TOWERS

Library	Shelving Location	Electronic Link	Call Number and Serial Holdings	Request Status
ARCHWAY		St. Charles electronic book, click to access		
ARCHWAY		SLCC electronic book, click to access		
ARCHWAY		STLCOP electronic book, click to access		
ARCHWAY	STLCOP E-Book		NetLibrary Electronic Book	Not Requestable
ARCHWAY	SLCC Electronic Resources			Not Requestable
ARCHWAY	StCharles Elec Resource		NetLibrary Electronic Book	Not Requestable

With Agency:
If the current MOBIUS practice is followed, MOBIUS will display the name of the first contributing Agency in the Library column for each 856 in the bib record. Attached records with 856 lines will display correctly in the Library column. Attached records without 856 lines will display in the Library column as the first contributing library.

Author Mobius, Joe.
Title **MCO test record UMOS.**
Published MCO Publishers, Columbia.

Click "Display Holdings" for additional links
SLU Pius has: v.1(1926)- Latest 5 years not available online.
SLU Law has: v.1(1926)- Latest 5 years not available online.

HOLDINGS FOR MOBIUS CENTRAL DATABASE
REQUEST THIS ITEM

SLU Law Library	SLU Pius Library

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SLU Law Library		SLU Law has: v.1(1926)- Latest 5 years not available online.		
SLU Law Library	Law	SLU has: v.1(1926)- Latest 5 years not available online.		Temp Unavail
SLU Pius Library	Pius Library	SLU has: v.1(1926)- Latest 5 years not available online.		AVAILABLE

One solution: Suppress the attached records so the bib displays as belonging to the Cluster, rather than an individual Agency. The problem with this solution occurs when some, but not all, Agencies within a cluster hold the electronic resource. Patrons are given the impression that the resource is available to all cluster patrons, rather than to patrons belonging to the holding Agencies. There may also be a question of licensed use of purchased electronic resources.

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REQUEST THIS ITEM

Library	Shelving Location	Electronic Link	Call Number and Serial Holdings	Request Status
SLU	No Local Holdings			
SLU		SLU has: v.1(1926)- Latest 5 years not available online.		

MCO Recommendation: Insert 856 fields into the attached records and remove the 856 field(s) from the bib record, so the electronic resource links are listed under the individual Agencies.

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The changes necessitated by the MCO recommendation cannot be made with Global Update. MOBIUS Libraries may begin inserting the 856 fields into the item records before, during, and/or after the implementation of Agency on MOBIUS.

Agencies for each Cluster

Archway Cluster: 5 Agencies
- East Central College
- Jefferson College
- St. Charles Community College
- St. Louis Community College
- St. Louis College of Pharmacy

Arthur Cluster: 6 Agencies
- Columbia College
- Lincoln University

- Missouri State Library
- Stephens College
- Westminster College
- William Woods University

Bridges Cluster: 9 Agencies
- Covenant Theological Seminary
- Fontbonne University
- Harris-Stowe State University
- Kenrick-Glennon Seminary
- Lindenwood University
- Logan College of Chiropractic
- Maryville University
- Missouri Baptist University
- Webster University/Eden Theological Seminary

Galahad Cluster: 3 Agencies
- Mineral Area College
- Southeast Missouri State University
- Three Rivers Community College

LANCE Cluster: 6 Agencies
- Culver-Stockton College
- Hannibal-LaGrange
- Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine
- Linn State Technical College
- Moberly Area Community College
- Truman State University

MERLIN Cluster: 6 Agencies
- University of Missouri—Columbia
- University of Missouri—Columbia Law
- University of Missouri, Kansas City
- University of Missouri, Kansas City Law
- University of Missouri–Rolla
- University of Missouri, St. Louis

Quest Cluster: 4 Agencies
- Central Methodist University
- Missouri Valley College
- State Fair Community College
- University of Central Missouri

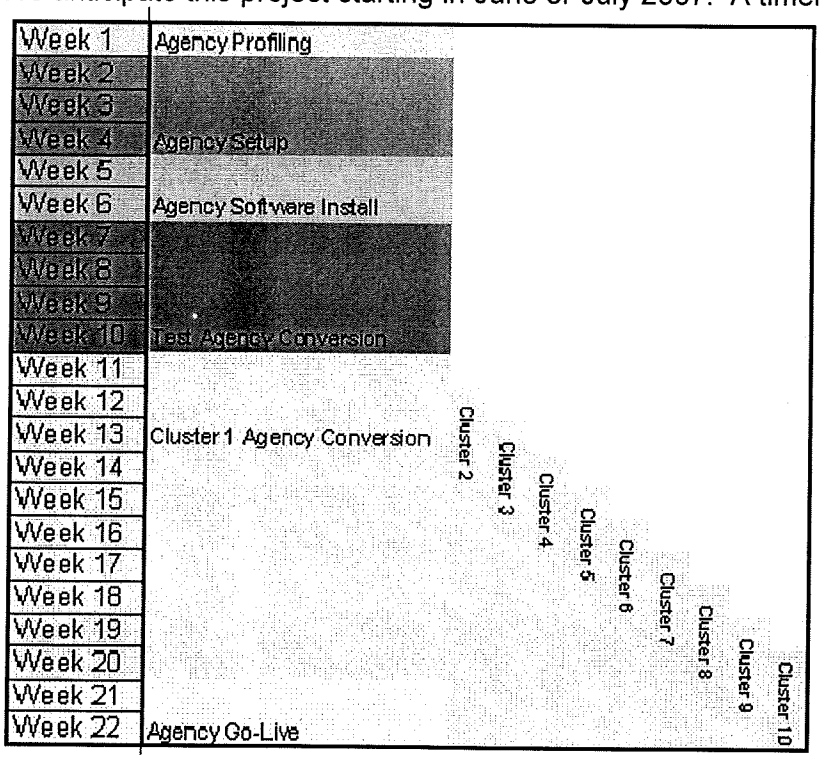
SWAN Cluster: 9 Agencies
- Assemblies of God Theological Seminary
- Baptist Bible College
- Cottey College

- Crowder College
- Drury University
- Missouri Southern State University
- Missouri State University
- Ozarks Technical Community College
- Southwest Baptist University

Towers Cluster: 4 Agencies

- Conception Abbey
- Missouri Western State University
- North Central Missouri College
- Northwest Missouri State University

WILO Cluster: 7 Agencies

- Avila University
- Kansas City Art Institute
- Metropolitan Community Colleges
- Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
- Rockhurst University
- St. Paul School of Theology
- William Jewell College

We anticipate this project starting in June or July 2007. A timeline from III is listed below.