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SUNY Connect
Planning
for a
Consortium

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SUNY's Libraries

- 71 libraries on 64 campuses
 - 4 university center libraries
 - 13 university college libraries
 - 4 health science center libraries
 - 35 community college libraries
 - 15 specialized college libraries
- 18 million volumes - collections ranging from 6,000 to 3 million
- 1,800 staff combined
- Serving nearly 400,000 students

Campus Implementations

- 60 campuses to migrate to Aleph500
- Implementations started in Fall 2000
- 23 campuses in production as of April 2003
- 11 campuses in implementation with STP dates by December 2003
- Remaining campuses to migrate by 2005
- Current implementations at Aleph ver.14.2.4

Aleph Architecture

- Each campus has own ADM and own suite of libraries (xxx01, etc.)
- two multi-campus servers currently supporting 21 campuses (SUN E6500)
- two stand alone servers each supporting one university center (SUN E4500)
- test servers used for conversion, testing patch upgrades, test databases (SUN E450)

Consortium Functionality

- physical union catalog
- unmediated universal borrowing across campuses
- ability to share authority files
- ability to use authority resource files to update campus/shared authority files
- working on prototype for union catalog portion

Staffing for Aleph Migrations

- SUNY Office of Library and Information Services
 - 7 full time
- Campuses
 - project manager and systems librarian
 - implementation teams
- Server Sites
 - multi-campus – approximately 5 staff focused on Aleph support though not all full time
 - university centers – local library and campus IT support