Piece of KAIC:
Making a Web Archiving Consortium from Scratch

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Presentation Outline

• Beginnings
• Organizational structure
• Financial benefits
• Shared documentation
• Future possibilities
Beginnings, I

- Discussions with others in Kansas
  - 2011–2013: conversations with state archivist & others in Kansas
  - 2013: request of state archives director

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Beginnings, II

- Naming the consortium
- Kansas Web Archiving Collaborative (KWAC)
- Kansas Archive-It Consortium (KAIC)

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Beginnings, III

- Current member institutions
  - Emporia State University
  - Fort Hays State University
  - Kansas Historical Society
  - Kansas State University
  - University of Kansas
  - Dole Institute of Politics
  - Washburn University

Map: http://www.netstate.com/states/maps/images/ks_outline.gif
Organizational Structure

• Administrative
  • Archive-It requires a single billing entity
  • Project coordinator

• Consistent meetings
  • Quarterly
  • Usually via conference call

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Financial Benefits

• Strength in numbers
  • Considerable discount
  • Some stipulations

• Independence is preserved
  • Contract size is customizable
Shared Documentation

- Master seed list
  - Avoid duplication of effort
  - Offer ideas for other institutions
- Metadata guidelines
  - Currently we share individual guidelines
  - Discussion of adopting shared guidelines

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Future KAIC Possibilities, I

- Collaborative collecting
  - Documentation strategy, web version
  - Clearer vision of collecting scopes of participating institutions
  - Would require communication among partners

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Future KAIC Possibilities, II

- Expansion
  - Other Kansas Board of Regents universities
  - Two-year colleges
  - Private colleges and universities
  - Other cultural heritage organizations

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Future KAIC Possibilities, III

- Consortial search page through Archive-It
  - Value to public
  - Value to partners
  - Value to Archive-It

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Thanks!

Questions?

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