



Webseite Chat
with Jennie Stapp
October 13, 2023

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- Open “Participants”
- Hover over your name
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 - Include your name and library

Chat

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Webside Chat

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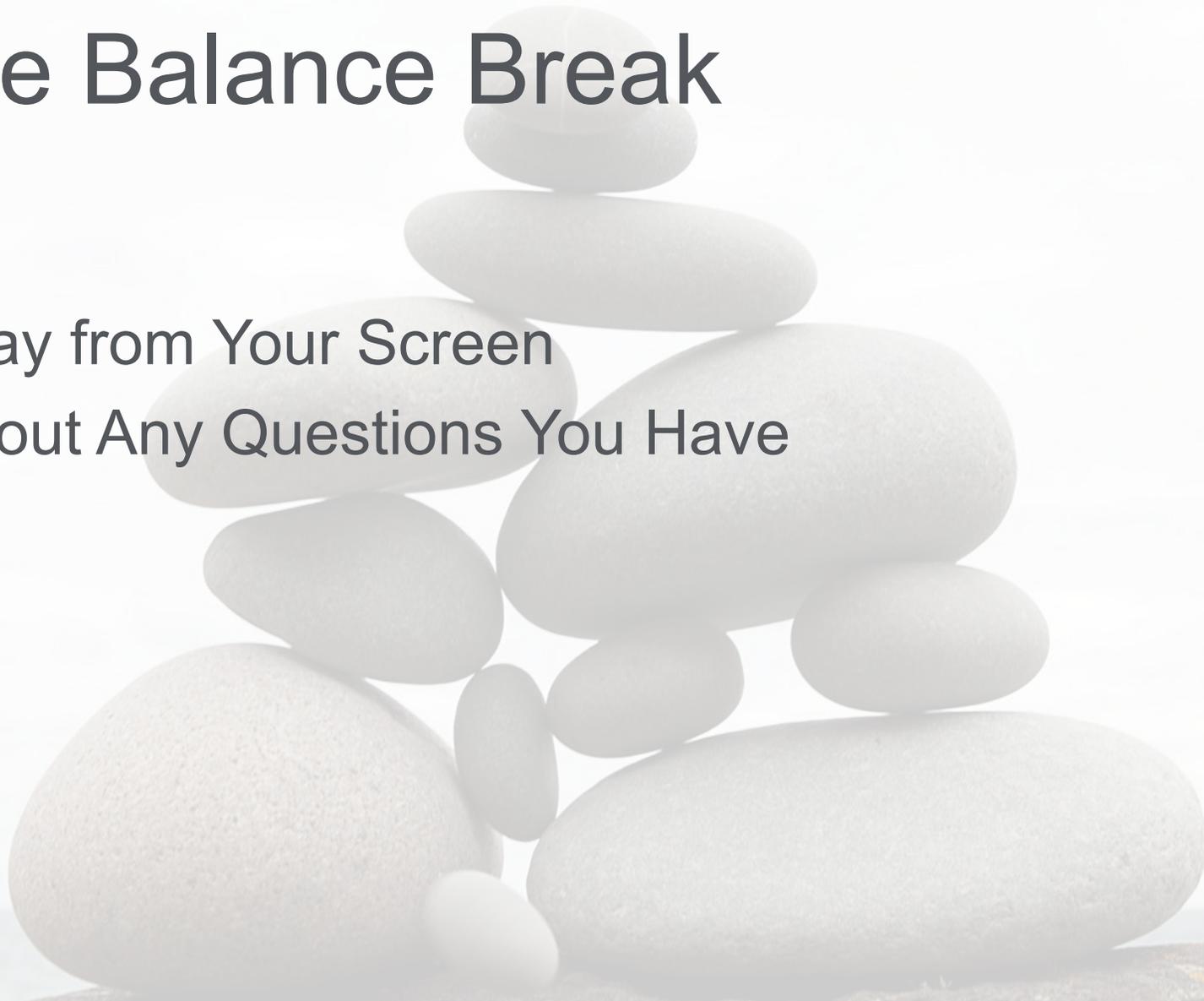
State funding checks are coming

- Public library standards review process is complete
- State aid and federation payments are coming
- Two reminders:
 - HB 91 reauthorized per capita/per square mile state aid and increased the state aid amount to \$.50/capita
 - [22-1-326](#). State aid to public libraries
 - (3) Money appropriated for the purposes of this section may not be used to supplant general operating funds of recipient public libraries or public library districts. The commission may withhold a distribution to a library or district that receives less support from a mill levy or local government appropriation than its average for the preceding 3 fiscal years if the decrease may reasonably be linked to money received or expected to be received under [22-1-325](#) through [22-1-329](#).

Single cost share formula

- The goal of changing the cost share formulas for our statewide project to a single formula are to:
 - Have sharing models that are not use-based because use-based models have the potential to result in swings in costs and could unintentionally discourage users
 - Using a single sharing model for each statewide project to simplify budget calculations and cost projections for the State Library and Montana libraries
 - To align cost share models with the formula for state aid if appropriate
 - To give libraries more timely information about their costs for budgeting purposes
- Most libraries costs will remain largely the same
- Some libraries would see relatively significant increases or decreases using this model
- We are evaluating how to minimize the impact of these swings through a phased in approach over several years
- We will share recommendations with the Network Advisory Council in November.
- We will invite libraries to share their feedback with the NAC at that time

1-Minute Balance Break



- ✓ Stretch
- ✓ Look Away from Your Screen
- ✓ Think About Any Questions You Have

October Commission Meeting

FY 23 Federation reports

Certification Program

Change in Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM)

- **Public library standards** – degree requirement; budget growth requirement; define hardship; define deferral process;
- **State aid** – amend formula to include tribal college libraries
- **Timeline:**
 - July 2023
 - Task force sat and initial charge given
 - July through September
 - Research, discussion, recommendations review by library community
 - **October 2023**
 - Draft ARM to Commission
 - **November 2023**
 - Public hearing and comment period
 - **December 2023**
 - Commission adopts final ARM

We are here

Upcoming Events

- Network Advisory Council
 - November 8
 - 9:30 – 3:30
- Public Library Standards ARM Hearing
 - November 28
 - 1:00 – 2:00
- MSL Commission
 - December 6
 - 9:00 – 1:00
- Visit the [ASPeN Event Calendar](#) for Meeting Links and Information



Information and News Sources



- [MSL Website](#)
- [Newsletters](#)
- [MSL Help Desk](#)
- [ASPeN Events Calendar](#)
- [MSL Learn](#)
- [MSL YouTube Channel](#)
- [Email/call any MSL staff member](#)

Questions?



MSL Evaluation Survey



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Next Webside Chat
THURSDAY, November 9, 2023