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Webside Chat
with Jennie Stapp
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Zooming like a pro!

Rename Yourself

- Open "Participants"
- Hover over your name
- Click "Rename"
  - Include your name, library, and role

Audio

- Remain muted unless speaking to avoid background noise. Click "unmute" to speak up.
- If you do not have a microphone, you can call in on a phone.

Video

- We love seeing your smiling faces, but if you prefer to, you can turn video off by clicking "Stop Video" in the lower left-hand corner of the Zoom screen.

Chat

- Click the "Chat" icon to add your comments or questions.

Webside Chat

- MSL Updates
  - 2023 Legislative Session Wrap Up
  - ARM Changes
  - MSC Office Hours
  - Fall Workshop
  - Public Library Standards
- Information and News Sources

2023 Legislative Session

- House Bill 91: Revise State Aid to Public Libraries passed
  - Tribal college libraries eligible for state aid
  - Per capita amount increases to $.50
  - State aid extended through June 30, 2029
  - Will require changes to administrative rules
  - Its not to soon to start talking about the impact of state aid funding

2023 Legislative Session

- House Bill 359: Prohibit minors from attending drag shows passed

  - Expressly prohibits drag story times in libraries

- House Bill 234: Revise dissemination of obscene materials to minor laws passed

  - Final version of amended bill has little affect on public or school libraries

- Numerous bills that could have impacted library funding failed.

2023 Legislative Session

- HB 543 – for elections held after July 1, 2023 information about increases in property taxes must be included on ballot

- HB 724 – requires posting of agenda and public notice electronically

- HB 890 – probably won't impact libraries – requires governing boards of cities and counties to record meetings and make them available to the public

- SB 117 – cannot use donations for conducting elections. Only public funds may be used.

1-Minute Balance Break

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

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

- Resource sharing – review need for 50/50 split between OCLC and MSC funding

- Federations – clean-up and removal of archaic terminology in administrative rules' process
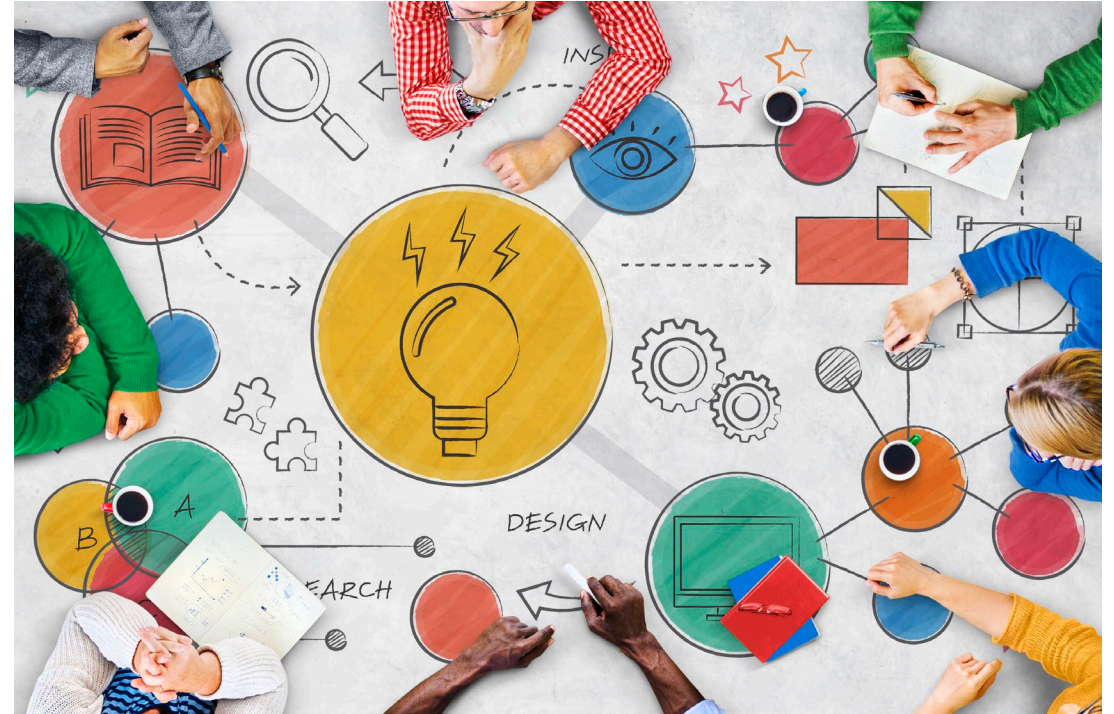
Office Hours

- Drop-in friendly
- 1st Tuesday & 3rd Friday through July 2023
  - 10am & 2 pm
- Join MSC staff to:
  - Brainstorm implementation for projects and plans at your library
  - Troubleshoot specific issues
  - Ask questions that may be too complicated to type
  - Connect with colleagues

2023 Fall Workshops: September 18-19

- Great Falls Holiday Inn
- Registration opens June 1
- No registration cost
- Wide variety of sessions

Public Library Standards – Now Open!

- Public library directors are encouraged to submit the public library standards.
- Information about submitting the standards was sent in an email.
- Deadline to complete the form: July 24, 2023
- Contact us if you need the link!

2023 Montana Public Library Standards

Public libraries receiving state payments need to complete this form to indicate their compliance with the public library standards. Libraries that do not meet a standard will be given an opportunity to explain why they do not meet the standard and what their plan is for complying with the standard in the future.

Review the full document before submitting the public library standards form

Review interpretative information about meeting the standards - interpretation for meeting the standards can be found at the end of the public library standards' webpage.

Information and News Sources

- [MSL Website](#)
- [Newsletters](#)
- [MSL Help Desk](#)
- [WIRED List Serv](#)
- [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
Friday, June 16, 2023

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