Inclusion Advocacy SENB

<u>President's Report</u>

to

IA SENB 36th Annual General Meeting June 14, 2023

This has been another difficult year for our families and our Board. In the face of many challenges and changes, IA has continued to stay afloat and provide some much needed support to individuals living with an intellectual, developmental disability and their families across Southeast New Brunswick. There is much more to do.

Financial hardships continue to hamper our efforts however some of our efforts have resulted in us securing some grants. Securing financial sustainability remains a priority of the Board and has been the focus of the Sustainability Committee, as we endeavor to improve our capacity to respond to the individuals we serve and their families. We are currently adjusting our course to help better respond to the individuals and families. Including developing recruiting and training for volunteers to help us expand our capacity to respond.

The Executive has continued to meet monthly in advance of the Board to wrestle with important issues and enable us to maximize the efficiency of our meetings and effectiveness of our efforts. Creating safe in-person opportunities for the Board as well as the individuals and families is also a focus of the Board.

I want to thank our Board for their commitment, and the families and community for your support. Together we will continue to make the lives of people with intellectual disabilities and their families Better.

Sarah Ryan, IA SENB Board President