1. **5:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER**
   The meeting was called to order by Chair M. Lopez at 5:49 P.M. 
   All attendees appeared via teleconference.

2. **ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS**
   Commissioner attendance verified via roll call.
   
   **COMMISSIONERS**
   
   **Present:** Rosa Gonzalez-Rivas; Alma McHoney; Margie Sokotowski; Mark Lopez; 
   Cathy Gutierrez; Jesse Herrera; Aaron Wood
   
   **Absent:** Maribel Ferreira; Linda Fosler; Anthony Ivanich; Supv. Christopher Lopez
   
   **Staff Present:** Lucero Robles, Acting Behavioral Health Bureau Chief; Jon Drake, 
   Behavioral Health Assistant Bureau Chief; Marni Sandoval, Deputy Director Child and 
   Adolescent Services, Behavioral Health; Melanie Rhodes, Behavioral Health Services 
   Manager; Marina Pantchenko, Deputy County Counsel; Andria Sumpter, Secretary, 
   Behavioral Health
   
   **Announcement of the Interpreter:** Spanish Interpreter present and announced Spanish 
   interpreter services.

3. **CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**
   Secretary announced that agenda item No. 8 is removed from the agenda in lieu of 
   Supervisor Chris Lopez’ absence.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
   Kontrena McPheter with Interim Inc extended an invitation to view the screening of *The 
   “S” Word* documentary with accompanying panel. The screening will occur on 
   September 29, 2020, 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Information can be found on the Monterey 
   County Behavioral Health Bureau’s and Interim Inc.’s websites.

5. **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**
   It was moved by Commissioner Sokotowski, seconded by Commissioner Herrera to 
   approve the August 27, 2020 meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously by the 
   following vote:
   
   **AYES:** Gonzalez-Rivas; McHoney; Sokotowski; Chair M. Lopez; Gutierrez; 
   Herrera; Wood
   
   **NOES:** None
6. **INFORMATION:** Receive a report on Youth Mobile Crisis  
Marni Sandoval presented referring to handout (Agenda Item 6) provided.

7. **INFORMATION:** Receive a presentation from Acting Behavioral Health Director on ACCESS to Treatment (Shifts in Demand)  
Lucero Robles presented referring to the handout (Agenda Item 7) provided.

   Key points included:
   - Narcotic Treatment Programs are also a part of the Substance Abuse Services delivery system listed on Slide 2 of the power point
   - Title of Slide 7 is: Substance Use Disorder Services
     - Data for Fiscal Year 19/20 data includes services to youth
     - All Monterey County Behavioral Health’s substance use disorder treatment services are contracted out to four (4) providers in the county

8. **INFORMATION:** Receive a Report from a Member of the Board of Supervisors  
This item was removed during Additions and Corrections.

9. **INFORMATION:** Receive the Commissioners’ Reports/Updates
   - Comm. Gonzales-Rivas shared that she received her Family Peers Specialist Certificate and plans to continue to provide COVID-19 and mental health information to the Alisal School District and the surrounding areas.
   - Comm. McHoney shared the recent update regarding a bill recently passed by Congress and currently waiting for Presidential signature that establishes “988” for the National Suicide Prevention & Mental Health Crisis Hotline. She provided 2019 data from The Military & Veterans Affairs Office regarding veterans in Monterey County: as of the end of 2019, there were 17,699 veterans, 34.8% are accessing county services; $96 million was paid out for compensation/pension for the year. The department also has a program (intended to collaborate with mental health) working with active duty service members, student, homeless and justice involved veterans involving surveys that go out and follow-up is provided accordingly. Also, the VA clinic in Marina will hold drive-thru flu shots for veterans and 55+, Monday-Friday and Saturday mornings.
   - Comm. Sokotowski expressed appreciation for the youth mobile crisis presentation.
   - Comm. Gutierrez reported that Sun Street Centers-King City is taking down one of the houses on the property to increase the capacity for sober living environments (SLE’s).
   - Comm. Herrera expressed appreciation for the youth mobile crisis presentation and commended Monterey County Behavioral Health (MCBH) staff for their continued efforts in this challenging time and through the change in leadership. Collaboration meetings are in place involving: CSUMB-College of Health Sciences & Human Services, Monterey County Behavioral Health (MCBH) and The National Compadres Network with a goal of strengthening cultural understanding for staff and clients and incorporating this into services given/received in addition to making it a part of the foundation for the new community health exchange being established in the redeveloped China Town area.
Comm. Wood expressed gratitude for the informative presentations provided. He also highlighted the importance of self-care and having universal positive preventative practices in place within our communities and schools. Many local school districts are employing ways to ensure teachers and administrators are in a positive mental space.

**ADJOURN**
The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.