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EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Report to

C.U.R.E.

I am sorry that I am unable to attend the C.U.R.E. meeting this evening, but I assure you that my reason for not being here is in keeping with my efforts and desire to serve C.U.R.E. I am engaged in meeting with the Citizens' Advisory Committee on school building needs which was initiated by the San Diego Board of Education. This Committee has been meeting since February 25 and I am working on the task force dealing with utilization of school buildings as well as planning of further facilities. The Committee's task, as you may be aware of, is rather immense in that there are two separate needs being presented to the Committee, as well as the general public.

1. One is the replacement of pre-Field Act buildings. The Field Act was prepared in 1933 as a result of the earthquakes in Long Beach and relates to schools built prior to 1933 that are not earthquake proofed. The San Diego School District has 25 pre-Field Act buildings (17 elementary, 3 junior high schools, 4 senior high schools, as well as Snyder School and portions of the Education Center.)

   These buildings must be replaced by 1975 or the responsibility for any damages or injuries to students in the event of an earthquake would revert to the School Board members, not the School District.

2. Growth needs are the second area of concern for this Committee, specifically those areas in the northern sector of the San Diego Unified School District. The School District has issued a series of five reports in regard to K through 12 planning needs in the next five years. These needs, while somewhat dealing with the Pre-Field Act buildings, extend beyond that problem into housing of students at existing facilities which are overcrowded, or will soon be overcrowded, as well as housing of students where there are now only temporary facilities or private home facilities; e.g., the Miramar Mesa area.

This Committee will make a preliminary report on March 15 to the School Board.

<u>Other points of interest</u>: In regard to the possible selection of Dr. Goodman as Superintendent, as far as the Board is concerned, Dr. Goodman is in. It remains only to be seen whether he will be released from the School District of Torrance. Dr. Goodman was here before and had a reputation of getting along well with everyone. George Smith speaks highly of Dr. Goodman and, hopefully, he will be able to stabilize the Education Center internal difficulties, as well as meet some of the real problems of magnitude in the total school district. There is no further news on his appointment. However, one comment that I feel compelled to make is that his name had been spoken of prior to the Rafferty rumor, and also prior to the solicitation of citizen criteria for a new superintendent. I say this only by way of innuendo.

A report was made on March 2 concerning the Gompers-Lincoln project. It was very well delivered and especially well received by the Board. However, it remains to be seen whether that project and the expense of the project, which was solicited by various Black groups, will receive continued or increased funding next year. Also, up for funding next year will be the Inner City Project and the E.S.L. project.

If there are any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at any time (that is, if you can contact me at any time).

Respectfully,

Fr. Douglas Regin
Education Chairman

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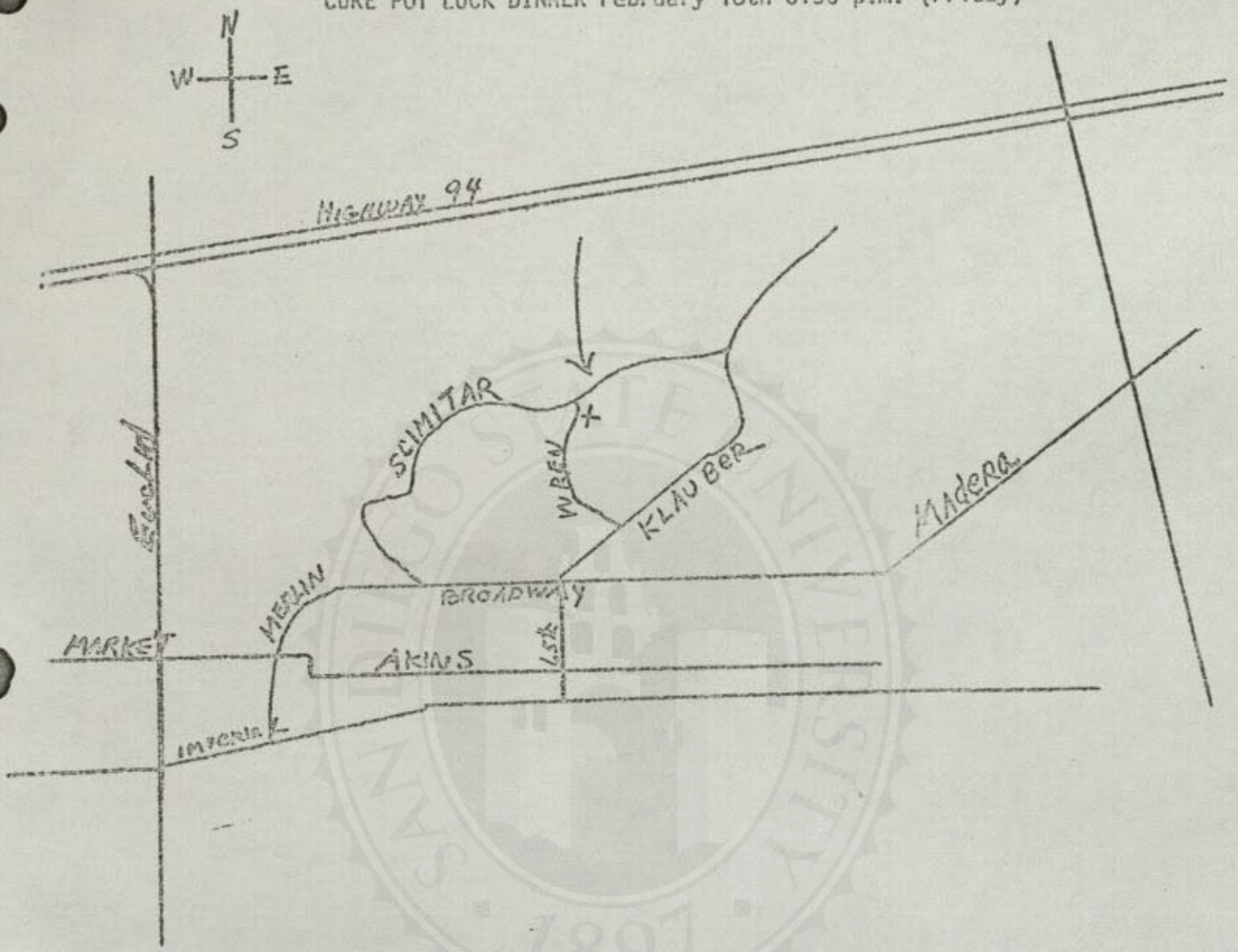
CURE POT LUCK DINNER February 10th 6:30 p.m. (Friday)



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