



Post-Game Press Conference Quotes
Head Coach Wes Miller
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Opening Statement:

"I feel a lot better than I did a couple nights ago. I told our guys I thought our effort was better and more consistent. That was the frustrating thing about the Tulane game and I thought they brought it tonight. SMU is a good team...they've won eight in a row in a really respectable schedule. They are a tremendous offensive team and there were times where I was really proud of our defense. Some of the things defensively that really stood out to me was the effort to get back in transition and that is something we haven't been doing very well against running teams. I thought our ball screen defense was really good with one of the best players on the screen in college basketball. I thought our effort toward the ball was really good...there were some moments in the last 12 minutes in the second half where we didn't sustain our effort and box out. For the most part I thought we were significantly better tonight in the areas we can control and I think the areas we can be better. There were some great individual performances and you know I don't spend a lot of time talking about it."

On Mika Adams-Woods:

"Mika Adams-Woods has a career-night tonight. I'm really happy for him because since the day I got here the work ethic on his game and his jump shot has been extremely consistent. He shoots it well in practice and we are all extremely confident in him and he hasn't shot it that well in games, so it was nice to see that open up for him. Him making shots really gave us a lift."

On David DeJulius:

"David DeJulius was fantastic early, breaking them down, getting us some easy shots, making us some shots. Watching him work off the ball and on screens is extremely pleasing. Sometimes you do some things on the ball and people see that, but the off the ball stuff was great tonight."

On Abdul Ado:

"I thought Abdul Ado had such a presence in the game defensively. You look down at the stat sheet and it doesn't tell the whole story and what he means to the team on the floor."

On Mike Saunders Jr. and team assists:

"Mike Saunders Jr. has a career-high seven assists. We had 20 assists and the game looks a lot better with that to me. Have always believed, especially with a new team, is continue to work together and keep plugging away. As the year goes on and the way we want to play, the guys want to play that way. Ball will always keep popping around. You are going to have nights the ball is going in and we are sharing it well. We shared it well in the open floor."

On Jeremiah Davenport:

"I did tell Jeremiah Davenport that I was as proud of him as I have been all year. It wasn't his night offensively, but we are such a better team with him in the game. He is a winner and brings it every night. I am privileged to coach him because you wouldn't know it wasn't his night with the way he played. That is pretty neat. It was good to see John Newman III to make some shots and has been working hard at that. It is a good win against a good team."