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**POSTGAME QUOTES**

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### **KU Head Coach Branden Schneider**

#### **On biggest obstacle on offense tonight...**

"Finishing play's at the rim., you know they blocked some shots and a lot of those were late and when we were pressing a little bit to try and get back in the game. We have good enough players that they expect to finish those plays. Then, in the second half, we let it affect our ability to play conversion defense or guard a screen the proper way. We didn't play with the next play mentality, that's a battle that you fight with all young players. That's just something that will come through growth."

#### **On the back and forth of the first half...**

"They're a top 15 team, they're going to be in the mix with Baylor for the conference title. We're a player down with Tina Stephens and shooting 23% and we're in the game for three quarters, so I hope as we look at the film there are some positives that we can draw."

#### **On growing as a team...**

"I think that we have to look at all of the things that we did. It doesn't take long to look at the stat sheet and see that we didn't perform in the fourth quarter. Their best two players got cooking and were making pull up jumpers."

#### **On the shift in the fourth quarter...**

"I thought mentally we played dejected, I don't know if we had the energy. They got offense of rebounds and some transition points, and I think that's where having a little bit more depth was definitely a plus in their department."

#### **On any takeaways from the game...**

"As individuals and as a team, we have to improve on moving onto the next play. You miss a lay-up, it happens, you can not allow that to affect you on the next play or you're going to have a four or five-point swing."

### **West Virginia Head Coach Mike Carey**

#### **Opening Statement**

"Kansas man, they're not the same Kansas team. Brandon has them working extremely hard. They're young and we were a step slow today. No communication... our shots were falling short, but to give our girls credit I thought we played better in the second half especially in the fourth quarter. We didn't rebound or execute well, I had four guards in so they can't blame the post for not blocking out. The guards have to block out, and we'll fix that real quick. Kansas lost a lot of players last year and I'm going to tell you that these girls played."



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**On Kansas fighting throughout the game...**

"They fought, we would get them down five or seven and they would fight back. We finally started executing in the fourth quarter. We started to free up our shooters and got them off some picks. Defensively I thought that Kari was the MVP for us. When I put her at the five she had a lot of blocked shots and shut down the lane and we weren't doing that in the first half."

**On Kansas' backcourt...**

"They had good looks. Both teams shot terrible. It was nothing that we did, they had wide-open shots and we didn't play well. We didn't defend like we normally do, we didn't execute and I'm sure Kansas didn't either. They had wide-open shots and just didn't hit them. If they did then, it would have been a different story."

**On any takeaways from the game...**

"We have to get better. Our four and fives have to get better, I moved my four to the five and I went small because Kansas was small. We have Texas on Sunday and they will be big. We won't have to do that on Sunday."