



POSTGAME QUOTES

2020 KANSAS FOOTBALL

HEAD COACH LES MILES

Was the team adequately prepared to play the game ...

"I think we came into the stadium with the right mindset. The issue being, you can't turn the ball over. If you turn them over like that you are not going to win games. Our guys, understood that. We met, as a team, right after the game. It's not something that one guy has to fix. It's something the team has to take ownership of and work through. I think, there are some sick people right now. It is a game that could have gone another way, but I like the team that I coach because I think they want to play and I think they want to be excellent."

The poor start was the first five possessions three of them, turning into points for the opponent that knocked us out. We had the opportunity to come back and work towards the end, but did not have the good fortune, with some of the plays that were really big plays that were really big plays that went against us."

Defensive line battling with the Coastal Carolina offensive line ...

"I think the young quarterback that took over for Coastal (Carolina) who beat out the other two guys showed quickness and the ability to get some yards and maybes those other guys didn't."

Explanation of the offsides on the onside kick ...

"We still don't see. If you take your foot, and you put it in advance of the ball, and then kick an onside kick - It's an issue that's they said. Except that we knew that, and coached, specifically, not to do it. And we didn't do it. I'm going to go look at that, again, because I think there's something to learn from watching it."

Explain the decision to go for two ...

"To go for two that was my responsibility. That is the kind of things that we did. We have an analytics book that we that we refer to in the next couple of weeks, that really kind of gives you the feel of the percentages that are taken into account. The opportunity to go for two was certainly the right call."

Have you always used the analytic chart ...

"We use a really lesser chart. That was really before I came here, we have been on this book since the last two years."

How would you assess how the quarterbacks played ...

"Minus turnovers. The some big plays that they made a couple of really nice ones. Big plays. Miles Kendrick again comes in after the game and then just covers a couple of balls but then, the issue is turning the ball over. So, we as the coaching staff first, will do those things that are necessary to correct and fix and we feel pretty good."

On the quarterback position ...

"We played three quarterbacks in my opinion, there is a significant future for us at that position. Jalon Daniels kind of got his feet wet in there late. I think he's going to be a good player. Like I said, it's not just the quarterbacks in the room, it is the coaches will go work on it. We all stick our head in the fire, and make sure this style of play does not become ours."

What was difficult in defending the run ...

"They had a nice little option pack to go along with their option reads. And I think their quarterback did a good job in his first start, and I was impressed with some offensive linemen they played."

How would you evaluate your defenses performance ...

"Yeah, I think we're again. Talking about the room you should be talking about defense and I can tell you this, we have some really good kids, good players in that segment of our team. Karon Prunty was a true freshman starter and that game played really lights out. We're excited about some of the things that are going on that side of the ball. Again, I'll look at film, either early tomorrow morning or tonight."

Did tonight's game affect your ability to build the program ...

"I don't think so. I think, patience, the, the correction. I think when you have a game like this. First of all, I never want to fix a game, fix a team that has lost games, I would much rather fix teams that has won games. But I think we have a team that's committed to doing things for the upperclassman that are significant. And I know I like the commitment that the team has together. They all know they'll make a difference. And that's what we have to do your work. I think, 12, I don't know exactly how many freshmen, played that game, but I think it was a significant number and that's a great opportunity in the future."

On the defense not getting pressure in the backfield ...

"Yeah, they ran the football so much that the odds were not as good. We hit a-gaps on them several times down there in that area of the field. And we strike them and quarterback could extend the play, pitch it suddenly on the edge and hit that a-gap. I think he is going to do some wonderful things for that football team."