HEAD COACH BILL SELF

Opening Statement ...

“I don’t know if I want to laugh or cry or what. I would like to say that one out of bounds call in the first two minutes of the game totally changed the tide or something like that. That was embarrassing, we didn’t play well at any stretch during the whole game and still yet as poor as we were, we had it to a four-point game in the second half. I think Jones, Coleman and Ramey made three consecutive uncontested looks and four goes to 13 or whatever and that was basically all she wrote right there. They’re good, they’re good and they are superior athletically. Those three guys up front are unbelievable athletes and certainly on the perimeter, they are very, very quick and they can all go get their own which is a great, great skill set to have so that they can force help basically most every possession when you don’t guard and, we didn’t guard at all today. So yeah, it’s disappointing as it’s the worst performance we probably had at home, I would say in our 18 years, but even more so than that, we just didn’t fight down the stretch and we did nothing to make them play poorly and we didn’t have the energy level to make them play poorly, especially when things started to go the other way. That is what good teams do. They stem those tides by shortening momentum runs or extending momentum runs and we didn’t have really any momentum runs and of they had several and we didn’t do anything to really slow them down.”

On Agbaji and Wilson in double-figures and the three point deficit in the second half ...

“Yeah, that was the closest we got. Even when we were down four, they obviously still had control of the game and everything. We never made them feel us the entire game I don’t believe, defensively at all and, they felt like that if they can isolate our guys and then beat them one on one and force help which that happened numerous times. You have to be turned up, I mean, you have to be turned up when you are playing athletes like that with that type of skill and we weren’t. When you’re not turned up or for whatever reason, I think our intentions were good, we just weren’t as turned up then you can look really slow. That is what happened today, I thought we looked really slow.”

On Marcus Garrett ...

“I’m sure they’ll do all the concussion protocols and have already started that, so I don’t know what his availability will be or how soon. I haven’t seen it yet but told me that it was a pretty good lick. It was a clean play based on what I’ve been told. Just two guys going at it and he got the worst end of it. But certainly, I hope he’s back, but I would think that he would probably, you know obviously doubtful for practice tomorrow and hopefully not the next day, but TCU status is still unknown.”

On upcoming game against TCU ...

“I’ll be honest Greg, I haven’t studied them. They’ve had a really good start to the season just like and seems like everybody in our league has. They lost at home to OU [Oklahoma] in a one possession game and they win at Oklahoma State in a one possession game, so they are more than capable. What people will see today, they’ll see that Kansas is vulnerable, if you play the right way. That’s one thing that I always thought as a fighter, as an athlete or even our teams in the past, you know, when you give one team confidence it gives the other eight teams in the league confidence too. They can watch tapes saying oh, we can take right at these guys or this is how we can expose them, or this guy doesn’t guard the ball well or, we can throw it right to the bigs and he’s not a shot challenger. We’ve been exposed in many areas today. So, what we have to is learn how to fight after bad things happened. Gonzaga game, we were punched in the gut, no question, but we played the next day and it was so early in the season and we were able to get it back. We’ve competed really hard, really hard since then. For whatever reason, that wasn’t the same team that competed at Texas Tech out there playing today. Because of Tech, we didn’t play well, we just made sure they didn’t play well. You know Kentucky, we didn’t play well, we just made sure they didn’t play well. Creighton, we didn’t play great, just made sure they played a little worse than we did. There wasn’t that mindset today that this team has to have in order for us to really have a tremendous season, which we still have a chance for but that time we lost to today, they would have beat just about anybody in the country today, but certainly we didn’t do anything to slow them down.”