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Sam Haiby, Amy Williams



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We'll start with Brent Wagner.



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Guess in the earlier, what the last game against Minnesota your, your inside players didn't give you what you, what you wanted to kind of challenge them more with this matchup against Minnesota to give you that insight outside that you that you need.



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Amy Williams 00:35

Yeah, Brent. The first time we played Minnesota we gave up 15 three pointers the second time we gave up 32 points in the paint and so that was something that we talked about as just that we're gonna have to put together a balanced game and balanced effort, we're gonna have to defend them at the three point line and do a much better job defensively, but also really taking advantage and pounding it and having a post presence and and being able to produce paints paint touches and points in the paint. Throughout the ballgame. And I thought, Kate and Izzy did a nice job of that even Bella when she came in kind of just gave us a little spark here and there and and and you know I just thought it was, it was important for our gameplan today.



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I will go to Derrick Peterson.



Amy Williams 01:26

Amy, you only had eight turnovers, the fewest turnovers you've had in the game since mid January and then the 20 assists on 27 made shots is that as clean a game as maybe you've played in, in a while as well executed an offensive game as you've played. Yeah, I mean I'm proud of that I think you know I didn't realize it was the least amount of turnovers that we had had but against a team like Minnesota who I feel like the first two times we played them they really kind of took us out of what we wanted to do offensively with their pressure and just really kind of getting up and I thought, you know, things were fairly physical today and for us to come out of there with just eight turnovers and 20 assists is probably more important you know the way we shared the basketball and kind of made the extra pass and it paid off for us today.



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Abby Barmore.



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Congratulations, Amy. So in the second quarter you guys outscored Minnesota 22 to 10. What was working at that point, and how important was that for you guys to be able to get that win. Despite fourth quarter surge from them.



Amy Williams 02:37

Yeah, I think that that second quarter was huge I think really kind of if you tap back into the very tail end of the first quarter I thought Kendall Coley really sparked this was a huge three. We had I think an 18-3 run somewhere there from the end of the first into the second quarter. I thought we got big sparks from our bench, you know Whit Brown made a beautiful backdoor pass to Sam Haiby and kind of freed her up for easy bump off the glass layup and Kendall Coley hit a couple threes in that stretch and I just thought we got great production from our bench during that time.



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We go back to Brent.



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How's everybody feeling I mean, you haven't won at the Big Ten Tournament for a while and it's kind of a weird year it is just what's the reaction how's everybody feeling about this game.



Amy Williams 03:29

Yeah I you know it's it's it's really, you know, a locker room of just kind of mixed emotions right now just obviously we have a team that's concerned for their teammate that and Ruby Porter and she went down in the game and and so that's always kind of a little bit of a damper on things but certainly something we want to celebrate we know how tough it is to get wins in March period but particularly down here in this Big Ten Tournament and. And so for us to be able to compete, a good Minnesota team and do kind of bounce back and and after a couple losses during the regular season and beat them down here It feels great and something we want to celebrate and be excited about that we're still marching. Is it something serious with Ruby? I don't know yet and and so we'll have to find out soon, how serious it is.



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Back to Derek



Amy Williams 04:26

I was gonna ask about kind of what changes if Ruby's not in the lineup for you guys tomorrow. Do you think you go back to, is he at the three you move Bella to the four and kind of go that route or kind of challenges just having to adjust your lineup right before you play Maryland pose? Yeah, nearing I think that that's the thing that this season has really prepared us for and you know we've had to adjust so much throughout this year we lost Ruby to an ankle earlier in the season we we've had to shuffle lineups we've had to play big lineups we've had to play small lineups and I think that's what we've been preparing for and, you know, I think that whether or not we are leaning on our guard reserves to step in and, you know, help us out there or if it's going to be, you know, go into a bigger lineup and play and Izzy some minutes you know I think the good news is that we're prepared for all of those scenarios,



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All right, that wraps it up thanks coach. Thank you. We'll have Sam Haiby and a couple moments. Some drop questions in the chat.



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Start with Brent.



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The fourth quarters I guess against Minnesota haven't been great for you I guess for, what was the discussion about that going into the fourth quarter and how do you feel like you guys finished this game off?



Sam Haiby 06:48

Um, yeah I was definitely brought out mentioned in the, in the huddle going into the fourth quarter, that we tend to kind of lead up a little bit. So there's definitely a point of emphasis to keep our foot on the gas. I definitely would say, we did kind of come off. But we sustain it enough, I think we played well enough in the first half to to sustain that lead and get the win in the end.



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I mean, Izzy and Kate have a good game I guess how does how does that help you and when you don't have to carry as big a load.



Sam Haiby 07:19

I think I had like 20 assists or something. So the ball is moving really well. It's definitely great when you can have an inside presence too, and work the ball inside out, but I think Kate and Izzy both played really well offensively and defensively both getting a lot of boards to that definitely helped us a ton.



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Any more questions for Sam.



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What, what are you excited about you haven't won here in the, in the Big Ten Tournament for a few years, what's, what's that like it's kind of it's kind of a different tournament but what's, what's it like to get a win there.



Sam Haiby 07:57

Yeah, it's March. Anyone is huge in March is a pretty cool feeling I never had never won in the Big Ten Tournament. Wouldn't one do with any other team. We're just gonna try to keep rolling take it one game at a time, but it's really fun it's exciting to be here.



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Last call for questions.



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Thank you, Sam.



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