**Virginia Tech Football**

**Student-athlete Q&A Highlights**

**Postgame Media Conference – Georgia Tech**

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***DB Reggie Floyd***

***On whether the defense struggled during the week to defend the triple option:***

“Like Coach Fuente said it’s not something you see, it’s rare. You see it once a year and there’s always something different about it. In practice we try to mimic their offense as well as we could but at the end of the day its not something that easy that we can do. We worked hard at it in practice I feel like, we just couldn’t get it done.”

***On what the ODU loss taught him about his teammates and what to expect this week***

“I’m very confident, I know we’ll bounce back. Like Coach said, it happened, it’s over now we have Boston College next week and we have to bounce back.”

***On the mindset during the game when the defense forces a punt and then it is fumbled and the defense is right back on the field:***

“It’s pretty hard, because it’s the first time this happened in a close game like this we fumbled. We had to go back on the field and try to stop them, so I’d say it’s pretty tough but at the same time you have to buckle down and keep fighting.”

***On the confidence of the younger guys in the team after a loss:***

“Their confidence feeds off the older guys’ confidence and with the older guys we never show any doubt or that we’ve given up. I think their confidence will be doing well.”

***QB Ryan Willis***

***On the difference in the game after the Hokies’ first three offensive drives:***

“It’s hard to say, I really need to see the film and we’ll be able to evaluate tomorrow. We always stress execution and we didn’t get it done tonight and we’re going to get better this week.”

***On how frustrating it is to be on the bench during a long Georgia Tech offensive drive:***

“I feel like I blinked and the game is over and the majority of it I felt like I was on the sidelines. We told ourselves we were going to eliminate three and outs and what do you know, we score in three plays. We weren’t able to give our defense as much of a break.”

***DL Ricky Walker***

***On how Georgia Tech was able to run the ball so effectively during the game:***

“They had a new wrinkle that we had never seen before. Every year we play Tech, there’s a new play that we have never seen and it seemed like we couldn’t stop it. Other than that, we got our butts whooped.”

***On the frustration level during the game:***

“We kind of beat ourselves with penalties, facemasks. On first down they’re getting six or seven yards so it’s second and three, that’s their kind of game. We couldn’t stop the first down and third down we couldn’t get off the field, so a frustrating game.”

***On whether the penalties were avoidable or were a result of playing hard:***

“Yeah, I think the facemask ones were just playing hard, I think they called one on me, I don’t know. I didn’t grab a facemask all night but that’s what happens when you’re playing hard.”

***On what it’s like to be in the middle of the field when Georgia Tech is trying to cut block and what you can do to counter it:***

“Like I told the team earlier this week, Georgia Tech I’m 0-4 against them so I’m graduating not beating these guys. This is probably the most physical game of the year, I told these guys. It’s 2018 and they still run this offense so that shows their kind of mindset that they think they’re more physical and tougher than you. From the coaching staff to the players, hats off to them they came out and played a great game.”

***On what he learned about the Hokies after the loss to ODU and the way his teammates responded after that:***

“Like Coach Fuente said, we’re always at our best when our backs are against the wall. We pretty much respond well as long as I’ve been here we have responded well when our backs were against the wall and that’s just kind of what we do everyday. One-and-0 is our phrase and we go by that everyday whether it’s school, practice or game time so we just need to be ready to move on and be ready for Boston College.”

***OL Kyle Chung***

***On the frustration of waiting on the sidelines to get back on the field with the offense:***

“It gets frustrating. That’s Georgia Tech’s game to keep the defense on the field and try to run out the clock with that triple option offense. You just have to keep the sidelines up, keep the energy up on the sidelines and make sure you’re staying loose to stay in the game.”

***On what changed after the first three offensive drives:***

“I think we got a bit complacent as an offense. We might’ve got too comfortable with how we were moving the ball those first three drives. We’re not good enough to do that. I think going into this week we’re going to have to address that issue and make sure offensively we know we have to keep on pounding the ball.”