



2017 Phillips 66 Big 12 Baseball Championship

OKLAHOMA STATE POSTGAME QUOTES - Game 15 Chickasaw Bricktown Ballpark: May 28, 2017

No. 8 Oklahoma State 6, No. 6 Texas 5

Oklahoma State Head Coach Josh Holliday

Opening statement...

"It was an unbelievable performance by these kids. The kids at the table had a huge part in today's game, but the whole group should be recognized for the way they pulled together as a team. I told the kids in the huddle, 12 or 13 days ago after losing to Oral Roberts, we were in a tough spot. We talked about how fascinating it would be to get on the other side of that, and then look back and figure out how we did it. I can't tell you how thankful I am that they did that. We learned a big lesson on how to turn something around that isn't going your way. That was a big lesson learned. These kids took the initiative to continue to fight instead of rolling over and dying. These guys did OSU Baseball a good service. They represented their university, our fanbase, our school tradition, and I just appreciate all of their efforts. We hung in there all year long, and we were pretty much kicked to the curb as far as having any chance here in Oklahoma City. It was these guy's day so I'll let you talk to them about it."

On Ryan Cash's performance today:

"Fabulous. Ryan (Cash) was awesome. Little man woke up and came to play today. That's all there is to it."

Carson Teel, So., LHP

On having his hand on so many victories in this tournament:

"That was pretty incredible. I don't know how it happened, but I'm glad it did. I've been working hard all year and have made many changes throughout. We decided that me being in the bullpen would be the best choice for this team, and I've just really focused on rehabbing all year long. This tournament was a lot of fun."

On if he grew up going to OSU Cowboy baseball games:

"I went to games all the time. I went in the rain, in the snow, the night before it snowed, when I wanted to go, when I didn't want to go, but it was great. I went to all the games. I love the Cowboys."

On how important it was to help win this tournament:

"It was huge. It started out with beating OU, and I love beating OU any chance I can. I want to propel OSU anyway I can and just be good for this team and this university. This is huge for my family and I, and I can't thank the coaches enough for this opportunity."

Garrett McCain, Jr., OF

On his performance over the last two games:

"I didn't feel that I produce offensively over the first two games like I would have wanted to. I actually felt like I was letting my team down. There were moments that I could have drove in runs, or move some guys over on the bases, but I failed to do so. I felt like I kind of got back on track against West Virginia. I

came in today thinking that I would flush the things that didn't work so well for me, and remember the things that helped me be successful. I owe a lot of credit to Ryan (Cash) for getting on base as much as he did. Every time I came up to the plate, I would look up and he would be on one of the bases. His success helped lead to my success because he was setting the table for me every time. Ryan is great in that leadoff role and he has been a huge piece to our team this season."

On what it's like looking at what this team has accomplished:

"This season was full of high's and low's. At the beginning of the season, everyone preached that this was a marathon and not a sprint. There were moments where we showed glimpses that we could play this style of baseball, and it was almost like we would go to sleep and forget what we had just done. After that Oral Roberts loss, having Coach Holliday talk to us about how cool it would be to flip our situation, his confidence really resonated in us and allowed us to play better. The amount of support we have from our coaching staff is incredible. We played like we had nothing to lose. It feels great to finally have experienced that 'flip' that coach was talking about."

Ryan Cash, Fr., INF

On if he is a power-hitter now:

"I do everything. I'll do it all. It really helped not letting the moment become too big for me. Coach was out talking to the position guys before the game and said, 'Don't forget to play the game. Don't forget to have fun.' I think we came out here enjoying the moment and living in the moment. It was an unbelievable day out on the field, and I think it really helped having such a positive mindset coming in."



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Texas Head Coach David Pierce

Opening statement...

“Well it was a great environment it was like a super regional game three on the road. Our kids played with a lot of grit and a lot of determination. We weren’t perfect on that day but at the same time, I’m really proud of the way our team played as a team and as a unit. So just a great job of competing all day from the very beginning until the last pitch. We had a lot of runners and had a situation where we had bases loaded and Kody hits a line drive double play and that could have been two, maybe three more runs. We had some great efforts out of the bullpen and played solid defense for the most part. Sure, we struggled a little bit but I’m very proud of our team and this is a young team that has very little experience in the post season and so this builds us for our regional play next week. Let me back up real quick and congratulate Josh [Holliday] and Oklahoma State. What they had to do to come through this tournament is really commendable. I thought he had his team well prepared and they played well the entire weekend. I wish them and all the teams in our league good luck next week in their regional.”

On where the team is at going into the NCAA tournament...

“This team has a lot of pride and has grown up together and has matured together. So I think we still are getting better though going into the regionals.”

Kacy Clemens, Sr., RHP/INF

On where the team is at going into the NCAA tournament...

“I think this week was great for us. We we’re able to come together as a team and finally we got most of the guys swinging the bats well. The majority of our team had good days at the plate somewhere during this week so we’re excited. We’re fired up for this weekend to come.”

On trying to get important hits when they needed it...

“I mean it’s tough. Baseball is a game of failure and like coach said Kody hits a line drive and a lot of times that ball gets through. It was down the line and he caught it and got me off the bag. I mean that’s just unlucky obviously. I mean we needed to make a couple of plays in the outfield to keep them from getting big innings and I think that was the difference in the game. I think our team is fired up and man I’m just proud to play beside Boswell and the rest of the guys. I think it was pretty fun to play alongside everybody this weekend.”

Bret Boswell, Sr., INF

On where the team is at going into the NCAA tournament...

“It was really fun to watch everybody. I think we grew up a little bit but we still have a ways to go. It was really fun to watch the at-bats this week. Our defense wasn’t perfect, where we wanted to be but I’m really excited to see where we can go.”