

2014 America East Men's & Women's Basketball Championship Presented by SEFCU Women's Quarterfinal No.1: #2 Stony Brook 61, #7 UMBC 45 Postgame Quotes

Stony Brook Coach Beth O'Boyle's opening statement:

I thought it was a great game. I have a lot of respect for Coach Stern. His team always plays hard and we knew that we would have to play well to earn the win today. I thought we did a great job of really pressuring the ball which allowed us to get some points in offensive turnovers. Our players executed our offense great and did an excellent job of going to the offensive glass. Those extra chance points were the difference in the game.

Stony Brook's Jessica Ogunnorin:

We were really focused on finding our players and reading where the ball was going to be.

Stony Brook's Coach Beth O'Boyle's take on how this game will effect their game on Sunday:

I was more nervous than they (the team) were. It took settling down for us to get our first win. The team has been so focused and have been practicing and playing hard. For that first game you have a little bit of anxiety and now that is out of our system. We are excited to be moving on, one game at a time, and we know that the next game, whether it be Vermont or New Hampshire, is going to be another big battle.

Stony Brook's Sabre Proctor on how she gets her teammates involved when getting shut down defensively: I try to do anything I can do to help the team, whether it is rebounding, getting steals, whatever it is I need to do to keep the team going, that's my job on the floor.

Stony Brook Coach Beth O'Boyle on the 23 forced turnovers of the game:

I am really lucky that I get to coach Chikilra Goodman, she is the Defensive Player of the Year for a reason. She really helps us dictate the tempo of the game. We focus on what we believe to be our key points of the game which is ball pressure. Chikilra (Goodman) is out there really pressuring the ball and everyone rallies around her. It made a big difference because we were able to get some tips and go the other way. As you saw in the beginning, we were missing some shots, but those tips got us some layups which is when our confidence started to go. We really became ignited after that run.

Stony Brook's Sabre Proctor on her three point shots:

When they (the team) pack it in they know I drive. When I pack it in, I read off my teammates and if someone drives I fill their spot. If I am open, I take the shot.



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UMBC Coach Phil Stern's opening statement:

Stony Brook has a really nice team. They have somebody in each position that can hurt you and they hurt us on the board tonight. We didn't get to control the tempo like we wanted to, and that certainly leads to putting us in a hole with our young team. But I cannot be more proud of how we responded in the second half. We fought in the second half and we kept playing until the end. I certainly think we have a very bright future.

UMBC's Emily Russo on how they came back in the second half:

We really fought back in the second half because an 18 point lead could have doubled within minutes. We didn't start the second half like we wanted to, but we slowly clawed our way back and got the deficit down. I think we should be proud of that.

UMBC's Sara Tarbert on how the team helped her in her freshman year:

It is always intimidating to come into a new atmosphere, especially at the college level because we don't know what it's like. The freshman really bonded together and helped each other when we got down.

UMBC's Emily Russo their comeback for next year:

It was a lot coming in, but cohesively all the freshman knew there were spots that we could take and we were up to the challenge. Looking forward to next year, and this experience coming back, we definitely have things in the offseason that we will be working on so we can build off it and look to capitalize on it next year.