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FLORIDA SOUTHERN'S HANSON HEADLINES DIVISION II CONFERENCE COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION MEN'S BASKETBALL ALL-SOUTH REGION TEAM

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. – Florida Southern senior guard Brett Hanson (Manchester, N.H.) is the 2019-20 Division II Conference Commissioner's Association (D2CCA) South Region Men's Basketball Player of the Year, receiving top billing on the D2CCA All-South Region Team. The squad was selected by NCAA Division II Sports Information Directors from institutions and conference offices in the South Region, made up of the Gulf South Conference, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, and Sunshine State Conference.

Hanson is joined on the first team by senior guard/forward Mark Matthews (Bonita Springs, Fla.) of Nova Southeastern, senior guard Clay Guillozet (Greenville, Ohio) of Valdosta State, junior guard Avery Brown (Clermont, Fla.) of Miles College, and freshman guard Darweshi Hunter (Cincinnati, Ohio) of Central State. Matthews repeats as a first team selection, while Hanson moves up from his second team honor a year ago. Hanson is the second consecutive Moccasin to earn South Region Player of the Year honors, following Jonathan Lawton in 2018-19.

The Sunshine State Conference Player of the Year, Hanson is averaging 22.4 points, 6.9 rebounds and 4.8 assists per game for a Moccasin team that is 29-2 on the year. Hanson helped lead the Mocs to the SSC regular season and tournament crowns as Florida Southern has won 17 straight games, going 18-2 in Sunshine State Conference action. Hanson is shooting nearly 50 percent from the field, has scored in double-figures in all 31 games this year, including 19 games with at least 20 points, and a career-high 42 points in a win over Lindenwood on Dec. 7.

Matthews, a 2018-19 All-American for the Sharks and back-to-back first team All-SSC selection, leads his team in scoring (22.0 ppg) and assists (5.2 apg), while ranking second on the squad in rebounding (7.1 rpg). Matthews is shooting 63 percent from the floor for an NSU team that is 23-6 on the year. Guillozet, the 2019-20 GSC Player of the Year, led the Blazers to a record-tying 18-game winning streak and the GSC regular season championship. He is averaging 16.0 points, 8.3 boards and 3.8 assists for the 26-4 Blazers. Brown, the SIAC Player of the Year, is averaging 17.4 points, 4.8 rebounds and 2.9 assists for the Golden Bears. Hunter was both the SIAC Freshman and Newcomer of the Year for the Marauders after averaging 20.7 points and 6.1 rebounds in his rookie campaign.

In addition to the first team, five other individuals have been recognized as second team selections. The second team All-South Region squad is comprised of Barry senior forward Tylan Birts (Florida City, Fla.), senior forward Ryan Montgomery (Chattanooga, Tenn.), Embry-Riddle senior center Luka Majstorovic (Belgrade, Serbia), sophomore guard Tyree Boykin (Clarksville, Tenn.) of Union, and Florida Southern junior forward Jaylyn Hinton (Boston, Mass.).

The 2019-20 D2CCA men's basketball All-America team will be announced on Wednesday, March 25. The five first team members from each of the country's eight regions are placed on the national ballot with NCAA Division II Sports Information Directors selecting first, second and third-team All-America honorees. The Ron Lenz Player of the Year will also be chosen from a list comprised of the eight Regional Players of the Year.

The Division II Conference Commissioners Association encourages and promotes Division II athletics and high standards of sportsmanship as important elements of higher education. The CCA is a key communications link among the conferences as they discuss views, policies and regulations that impact Division II intercollegiate athletics and works closely with the NCAA as a communications channel to NCAA Division II member colleges and universities.

First Team				
Brett Hanson (Florida Southern)^	6-2	Senior	Guard	Manchester, N.H.
Mark Matthews (Nova Southeastern)#	6-6	Senior	Guard/Forward	Bonita Springs, Fla.
Clay Guillozet (Valdosta State)	6-4	Senior	Guard	Greenville, Ohio
Avery Brown (Miles)	6-3	Junior	Guard	Clermont, Fla.
Darweshi Hunter (Central State)	6-5	Freshman	Guard	Cincinnati, Ohio
Second Team				
Tylan Birts (Barry)	6-6	Senior	Forward	Florida City, Fla.
Ryan Montgomery (Lee)	6-6	Senior	Forward	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Luka Majstorovic (Embry-Riddle)	6-10	Senior	Center	Belgrade, Serbia
Tyree Boykin (Union)	6-0	Sophomore	Guard	Clarksville, Tenn.
Jaylyn Hintin (Florida Southern)	6-6	Junior	Forward	Boston, Mass.

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