



**Florida State vs. No. 20 Boston College
Saturday, Nov. 17, 2018
FSU Player Quotes**

Redshirt freshman wide receiver Tamorrion Terry:

On scoring the game winning touchdown reception:

"I was very proud of myself and my coaches for calling a good play. He (Walt Bell) saw that the safety was coming down and saw 1-on-1. He let me step on their toes and run a big box on them. I was so proud of my coaches for calling that play. I was just happy for the team and happy to get this win."

On knowing he was going to score after seeing 1-on-1 coverage:

"I already knew I was going to score. From the lineup, when I saw the safety go down, I was already saying in my head that it was a touchdown."

On a confidence boosting win:

"It was big. We try our hardest, we're not giving up, we're going to keep going and come back to practice tomorrow and work hard on corrections with what we messed up with today. We are going to keep working because we have a big game next week."

Junior linebacker Dontavious Jackson:

On the bowl streak being on the line against the Gators:

"It's going to be a hard-fought game. We have it at home. They have two good running backs in (Lamical) Perine and (Jordan) Scarlett. We're going to have our hands full but we're up for the challenge."

On using last year's Boston College game as motivation:

"We just had to know where we were supposed to be gap-wise and our feeling. That feeling we had up there and got whooped 35-3 wasn't a great feeling. It was a long flight back home and we wanted to win to not have that feeling again."

On the feeling of last year's game sticking throughout the week:

"The way our coaches coach, they don't allow that type of stuff to sit over our head, it's all about moving on and getting better. Each day and week, we come to work. Even when we don't win and don't get the outcome we want, we come to work every week and the last week doesn't matter. That's one thing I love about this team, we have a short memory and are ready to work."

Redshirt Junior quarterback Deondre Francois:

On the chances of scoring on the touchdown to Tamorriion Terry:

"I kind of had an idea. You really don't know post-snap what's going to happen but pre-snap that was the play we hit the tight end (Naseir Upshur) earlier in the game. On that play, they covered the tight end so that left Terry with man-on-man coverage."

On keeping composure in the second half after a sluggish start:

"Just going into halftime and regrouping. Really, our defense kept us in the game. They kept us in it all game and they got great stops. It just took one play for us to get going on offense. So the defense played a great game."

On what he was thinking getting the ball back late in the game:

"I smelled blood. I just forgot about the first half and figured; what would Tom Brady or Aaron Rodgers do in this situation? You can't focus on the first half and the mistakes we made, and that's what we did as an offense."

Sophomore Cornerback Stanford Samuels III:

On what the defense was talking about the final drive:

"That we have to get our offense back and give them a chance to win the game. We had been playing pretty good the whole game up to that point and now it was our turn to get the ball to the offense and see what they can do."

On if Boston College surprised them by throwing more than they ran the ball:

"They definitely did when they started throwing the ball a lot more. That's no excuse for giving up the chunk plays and big conversion but I mean, our defense just has to lock in and focus in on the details. Even though we did play a good game, there are still a lot of detail that we can correct to play a lot better."

On how much pride the defense had after previous performances:

"This one was everything to us. We haven't played to our potential pretty much the whole second half of the season. We started out pretty strong and then it kind of died down. It's just on us to pick it back up and play to the level we know this defense can play at. We're capable of playing like this every day, no matter what team and whom we play. It's just out mindset, how we come out and how we attack the day. We had it already set in our mind number two (AJ Dillon) wasn't going to beat us and we weren't going to let them run the ball on us. We came out and showed that on the field."

On Dontavious Jackson having a big game:

"It's huge when you can have some of your leaders and some of those guys make big plays in key moments. It may be a little different from a regular player or someone on the team when they make the big play. You feel it a little more when it's one of your leaders and it's an energy builder and we needed that energy. You could tell how in tune and how loud the crowd got when we did make those big plays."

Sophomore running back Cam Akers:

On breaking 100 yards rushing for the first time this season:

"You just got to keep faith, keep believing and keep playing. At the running back position, it's bound to happen. Big runs, big plays, they're bound to happen."

On his mindset after his big run:

"That's what I do. Nothing was going through my mind. End zone. Touchdown. That's the only thing I was trying to do, get to the end zone."

On finding patience during the season:

"Honestly, it was a couple weeks ago, to the fullest extent and on a consistent basis. Coach (Pimpleton) just kept drilling it in me all year. I think it's starting to pay off."

On the difference he feels in his mentality:

"The patience. In this offense you have to be patient. You got to let everything unfold and you have to let everything happen. Whatever it took to be successful, that's what I was going to do. Being patient is a key thing."

Junior kicker Ricky Aguayo:

On the team meeting this week:

"I wrote in: 'You are what you repeatedly do. Excellence is not an act, it's a habit' – Aristotle. I feel like that's what we did. You got to create good habits in practice. It all comes in practice. When you're tired, you create good habits and they'll show up on Saturdays."

On the importance of mental toughness:

"It's easy to just shut down. That's how the good separate from the great because people shut down and try to think about other stuff; not trusting the line of scrimmage. When I go out on the next kick, I trust my guys. I just have to do my part and execute the habits I created in practice that week. Then everything will take care of itself."

On the locker room atmosphere after the win:

"We were happy, we were so happy. Everybody was dancing, smiling, laughing and even Coach Taggart was dancing. It was just a great feeling and I want the guys to remember that feeling, because we remember the feeling we had last week against Notre Dame and that's just not a good feeling. Hopefully [this feeling] happens again next week."

On his satisfaction with his performance:

"I was pretty satisfied. You know, I wish we could've got that blocked field goal back but you just have to move on from that and I feel like that's what we did. Our offensive line ended up blocking really well. Ken (Burnham) and Logan (Tyler) did a great job, kudos to them. I just feel good that I could put those points up for the team."