

## **West Virginia vs. Fairleigh Dickinson Quotes – December 6, 2015**

### **West Virginia Head Coach Mike Carey**

#### **On today's game**

I thought the first quarter and a half we played with good intensity, better than we did the other night. The deeper we went in the bench the sloppier we got, with so many freshmen and so many new players. I had some people get out of position, but it's good that everyone got to play. I'm looking forward to our next game against Marshall.

#### **On scoring off turnovers**

We got up the lane, it's amazing. They couldn't handle us up the lane. We're going to get into some better teams and play better defense. Still disappointed in our rebounds. Lanay (Montgomery) rebounds, but no one else rebounds. We can't win that way in the Big 12, and we can't win that way against a good team. We have to find a rebounder somewhere.

#### **On freshman Katrina Pardee**

For a freshman, she has a short memory. Her strength right now is shoot and pull away, and she isn't attacking the rim right now. Once she gets her strength and all of that together, she's going to be a really good player. Tynice Martin is another one that's going to be a really good player at West Virginia.

#### **On the rotation**

When we get to the Big 12, sometimes you keep extending it (the lineup) and sometimes you shorten it. This (these non Big 12 games) is to see if I extend or shorten it. That's why I keep telling them to play hard when you're in there. I don't coach against the score. If you get an opportunity to play, show me that you want playing time. If I'm going to play you in a close game, I have to be able to trust you. With the young players, give them the opportunity to play and get them in there and make mistakes now.

#### **On moving forward**

My biggest concern is rebounding. We just don't rebound the ball well, and the Big 12 players are so big and so physical. Lanay (Montgomery) can't play all the minutes, and she's going to be playing against skilled opposing players. All of a sudden, you're trying to keep her out of foul trouble and keep her rebounding and still scoring on the other end. Someone else has to step up. I've never been a firm believer that you have to be 6-5, 6-4, or 6-3 to be a good player. You either block out tough or you go after the ball or you let someone else get to it. It's not about size. Some of the best rebounders we've had here, are Chakia Cole, 5-10 and Madina Ali 5-11. It's not always about size, its about heart and desire.