

2012 HOCKEY EAST SEMIFINALS GAME #2 QUOTE SHEET
March 16, 2012 (Maine vs. Boston University)
TD Garden, Boston, Mass.

University of Maine

Tim Whitehead (Head Coach)

General Comments:

“Really proud of the guys, it was obviously a tough match-up right down to the wire. What I liked most was how we responded each time they scored, we were able to respond particularly in the third period after the goal by Nieto to even it up.”

“Will O’Neill was unbelievable tonight, I am really proud of him.”

On Goalie, Dan Sullivan’s performance: “Danny [Sullivan] has got a lot of poise back there. He stays calm under pressure and is a great influence for our team. He came out of no where in hockey circles and has turned out to be a great student of the game. He has done a great job and soaks it all in. I love his calm presence in the net. He was huge during the game.”

On the momentum after the injury and BU goal: “Again, just not getting too high or too low. It was obviously a key moment, a potential turning point. It was somewhat of a turning point. It could have a pivotal point for them [Boston University] if they kept the momentum going. The opportunity on the power-play gave us a chance to recapture the momentum ourselves and then Mark scored.

Will O’Neill (Senior, Defenseman)

On preparation for tomorrow: “I think the big thing is to regroup here, enjoy it and shower it off and be ready to play tomorrow. With a great Boston College team with speed, they know how to put the puck in the net and keep it out of their net. It is a great challenge, we have to get our rest and be prepared for tomorrow.”

On his first goal in the second period: “I knew there was a screen in front and it just happened so quick. I saw it was open on the glove side and I just reacted. Can’t really pump my tires that much. I just kind of reacted.”

On his emotions after Abbott went down with injury: “He is a tremendous player, he is one of the top players in the league. He is on a great line with Flynn and Joey [Diamond] and when a guy goes down like that everybody’s got to step up and that is what we did. No matter who it is everybody tries to regroup and feed off as much as we can.”

Mark Anthoine (Sophomore, Forward)

On his goal:

“I just watched it, Flynn had picked it up and passed it to Joey [Diamond] up front and Clendening cleared it but I’m pretty sure I got a full stick on it and looked to pass it, but no one was around. Joey had the screen so I just shot it.”