



2006 USF Football Game Notes



GAME FOUR

►►USF-KANSAS GAME FACTS



vs.

**USF
BULLS**
(3-0, 0-0)

**KANSAS
JAYHAWKS**
(2-1, 0-0)

Date: Saturday, Sept. 23, 2006 **Time:** 7 p.m. **Site:** Lawrence, Kan.
Stadium: Memorial Stadium **Opened:** 1921 **Surface:** Astro Play
Capacity: 50,971
National Rankings: Neither USF or Kansas are ranked in the AP or ESPN/USA Today Top 25
Television: Fox Sports Net with Bill Land (play-by-play), Gary Reasons (color analyst), and Emily Jones (sideline reporter).
USF Radio: The Bulls' Network (WFLA-AM 970/flagship station, WORL-AM 660 in Orlando, and WHNR-AM 1360 in Winter Haven) with Jim Louk (play-by-play), Mark Robinson (color analyst), Mike Pepper (sideline), Jim Lighthall (studio host), and Jeff Fisher (studio host). The broadcast begins one hour prior to kick-off while the postgame show features USF coach Jim Leavitt.
Satellite Radio: XM with Jim Louk (play-by-play) and Mark Robinson (color analyst)
Internet: Live audio on www.GoUSFBulls.com
Tickets: Call the Kansas athletic ticket office at (800) 34-Hawks

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USF LOOKS TO GO 4-0 FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1998

The University of South Florida football team (3-0, 0-0 BIG EAST) looks for its fourth consecutive win, while also looking to begin the season 4-0 for the first time since 1998 when the team started the year 5-0 ... This weekend the Bulls travel to the the "Nation's Heartland" to face Kansas (2-1, 0-0 Big 12) at Memorial Stadium in Lawrence ... Kick-off is slated for 7 p.m. (6 p.m. CT) ... The game will be televised nationally on Fox Sports Net in the Tampa Bay area with Bill Land (play-by-play) and Gary Reasons (color analyst) ... In addition, the game can also be heard on The Bulls' Radio Network, XM Satellite Radio (channel 200), and www.GoUSFBulls.com with Jim Louk (play-by-play) and Mark Robinson (color analyst) ... This will be USF's third meeting against a member of the Big 12 Conference with the previous two - against Baylor and Oklahoma - coming on the road ... The Bulls are coming off a thrilling 24-17 win over in-state foe UCF last Saturday in the Florida Citrus Bowl ... It was USF's third-straight come-from-behind win this year ... Quarterback Matt Grothe led the Bulls both in the air and on the ground en route to the win ... The freshman field general threw for 302 yards on 21-of-31 passing and three touchdowns, while just giving up one interception ... He also ran for 73 yards on 21 carries, accounting for almost three quarters of USF's 100-yard running attack ... Ean Randolph was the main recipient of Grothe's passing generosity catching five passes for 126 yards and one TD ... For his efforts on the field last weekend, Grothe earned his first BIG EAST Conference Offensive Player of the Week Award ... Former LSU Tiger Amp Hill also caught three passes for 52 yards in the win ... Defensively Jeremy Burnett paced the way with a game-high nine tackles, including seven unassisted ... Trae Williams also had six stops with two interceptions ... Three Bulls - Allen Cray, Chris Robinson, and Jarriett Buie - also recorded one sack apiece on the afternoon.

►►2006 USF FOOTBALL SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Day, Date	Opponent	Time/Result	TV	Series	Last Meeting (Site)/Notes
Sat., Sept. 2	McNeese State	.W, 41-10	ABC-28 WFTS	USF 1-0	.2006 USF 41-10/Moved its record in home openers to 10-0
Sat., Sept. 9	Florida International	.W, 21-20	ESPN 360	USF 1-0	.2006 USF 21-20/One of two I-A programs younger than USF
Sat., Sept. 16	at UCF	.W, 24-17	CSTV	USF 2-0	.2006 USF 24-17/Third straight come-from-behind win
Sat., Sept. 23	at Kansas	.7 p.m.	Fox Sports Net	.0-0	.First meeting/First Big 12 foe since Oklahoma in Sept. 2002
Fri., Sept. 29	Rutgers*	.8 p.m.	ESPN2	USF 1-0	.2005 USF 45-31/Look to win second straight BIG EAST opener
Sat., Oct. 7	Connecticut*	.7 p.m.		USF 2-1	.2005 UConn 15-10/Huskies look to recover from 5-6 season
Sat., Oct. 14	at North Carolina	.TBA		.0-0	.First meeting/Third game vs. ACC in the last two years
Sun., Oct. 22	at Cincinnati*	.8 p.m.	ESPN	USF 2-1	.2005 USF 31-16/USF's first ever Sunday night game
Sat., Nov. 4	Pittsburgh* (HC)	.Noon	ABC-28 WFTS	Pitt 2-1	.2005 Pitt 31-17/USF is 6-3 in Homecoming games
Sat., Nov. 11	Syracuse*	.TBA		USF 1-0	.2005 USF 27-0/USF handed Syracuse its worst loss in 2005
Sat., Nov. 18	at Louisville*	.TBA		USF 2-1	.2005 USF 45-14/Bulls look for repeat of 2005 result
Sat., Nov. 25	at West Virginia*	.Noon		WVU 1-0	.2005 WVU 45-14/USF makes first trip to Morgantown

* BIG EAST Conference Game
(HC) Homecoming 2005
All times are Eastern and subject to change

►USF QUICK FACTS

LocationTampa, Fla.
 StadiumRaymond James Stadium
 Capacity65,000
 SurfaceTiftway Bermuda 419
 First Year of Football1997
 Enrollment41,392
 Founded1956
 ColorsGreen (PMS 343), Gold (PMS 4515)
 NicknameBulls
 ConferenceBIG EAST
 PresidentDr. Judy Genshaft
 Faculty RepresentativeDr. John T. Romeo
 Director of AthleticsDoug Woolard
 Head CoachJim Leavitt
 Alma MaterMissouri/1978
 Record at USF64-39 (.621)/nine seasons
 Overall Record64-39 (.621)/nine seasons
 Assistant CoachesWally Burnham (defensive coordi-nator/linebackers), Lawrence Dawsey (receivers), Carl Franks (running backs), Greg Frey (offensive line), Greg Gregory (tight ends) Troy Douglas (defensive secondary), Bernard Clark (defensive line), Rich Rachel (cornerbacks), Rod Smith (offensive coordinator), Steve White (graduate assistant, defense), Larry Scott (graduate assistant, offense), Mike Simmons (graduate assistant, defense), Travis Larimore (strength and conditioning), Ronnie McKeefery (strength and conditioning)
 Basic OffenseNo Huddle-Spread
 Basic Defense4-3
 Final 2005 Overall Record6-6
 Final 2005 BIG EAST Conference Record4-3
 Final 2005 BIG EAST Conference FinishT-3rd

USF'S PROBABLE STARTERS

ON OFFENSE ...

Pos.	No.	Name (Yr., Ht., Wt.)	Player Notes
X	11	Marcus Edwards (So., 5-11, 175)	Third on the team in receiving averaging 12.3 ypc
LT	55	Thed Watson (Sr., 6-5, 295)	Returns to action after missing the last two games (ankle)
LG	71	Matt Huners (So., 6-3, 290)	Gets his second start of the year, this time at left tackle
OC	69	Nick Capogna (Jr., 6-3, 275)	Is a converted tight end with good talent at center
RG	75	Walter Walker (Jr., 6-5, 305)	Versatile lineman who will move to right guard
RT	78	Marc Dile (So., 6-4, 310)	Another young but talented offensive lineman
TE	84	Will Bleakley (Sr., 6-3, 240)	Projected to get his second start of the season
Y	80	Ean Randolph (Sr., 5-9, 175)	BIG EAST's top punt returner averaging 31.4 ypr
Z	81	S.J. Green (Sr., 6-3, 220)	Most experienced of USF's receivers with 30 starts (35 GP)
QB	8	Matt Grothe (Fr., 6-0, 200)	Top freshman quarterback in America
RB	30	Benjamin Williams (So., 5-7, 190)	Recorded his first career TD against UCF

ON DEFENSE ...

Pos.	No.	Name	Player Notes
LE	90	Jarriett Buie (So., 6-4, 240)	Fast, strong, and athletic pass rusher
NT	94	Allen Cray (Jr., 6-0, 295)	Had five tackles including two for a loss against UCF
DT	76	Richard Clebert (Jr., 6-1, 295)	Had the FR leading to USF's winning TD vs. FIU
RE	95	George Selvie (Fr., 6-4, 255)	Leads USF in TFL with 5.5 (23) and sacks with 2.5 (16)
SAM	51	Stephen Nicholas (Sr., 6-3, 225)	Butkus Award and Nagurski Trophy candidate
MIKE	59	Ben Moffitt (Jr., 6-2, 240)	Second on the team in tackles with 18
WILL	54	Pat St. Louis (Sr., 6-1, 230)	Seven tackles vs. UCF
LC	21	Trae Williams (Jr., 5-10, 185)	Second in the nation in interceptions per game
RC	4	Mike Jenkins (Jr., 6-0, 200)	Has three PBR on the season with seven tackles
SS	33	Jeremy Burnett (Sr., 6-1, 190)	Led the Bulls with nine tackles vs. UCF
FS	17	Danny Verpaele (So., 5-11, 200)	Returns after suffering broken leg in 2005
NB	32	Carlton Williams (So., 6-4, 205)	Has three tackles on the year

SPECIALISTS...

Pos.	No.	Name	Player Notes
PK	28	Mike Benzer (Fr., 5-8, 185)	Was 2-3 last year in PAT attempts; This year is 11-11
KO	27	Justin Teachey (So., 5-11, 170)	Has six touchbacks on 15 attempts with new tee
P	24	Delbert Alvarado (Fr., 6-0, 175)	Averaged 37.4 yards per punt against FIU
LS	66	Ryan Bourdeau (Sr., 6-2, 250)	Second and final year as long snapper
KR	80	Ean Randolph (Sr., 5-9, 175)	Looks to use his athleticism and field vision for returns
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THE SERIES VS. THE JAYHAWKS

• Saturday's game against Kansas marks the first meeting between the two schools ... The contest is the third of four first encounters that USF had on its schedule this season ... The Bulls also played McNeese State (W, 41-10) for the first time on Sept. 2 and Florida International (W, 21-20) on Sept. 9 ... USF's final inaugural meeting will be against North Carolina on Oct. 14 in Chapel Hill.

A LOOK AT KANSAS

• Kansas comes into Saturday's game with a 2-1 record ... Its lone loss came in its last meeting at Toledo (37-31 ot) on Sept. 15.

• The Jayhawks 21-19 win over Louisiana-Monroe on Sept. 9 was KU's eighth-straight at Memorial Stadium where the team has not lost since No. 6 Texas claimed a 27-23 come-from-behind victory on Nov. 13, 2004.

• In its last eight games at Memorial Stadium, Kansas has outscored its opponents 247-117, win-

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►THIS WEEK IN USF FOOTBALL (SEPT. 18-24)

MONDAY 18	TUESDAY 19	WEDNESDAY 20	THURSDAY 21	FRIDAY 22	SATURDAY 23	SUNDAY 24
7 p.m. Practice	12:30 p.m. Media luncheon, BIG EAST Room 4 p.m. Practice	4 p.m. Practice	4 p.m. Practice 7 p.m. Jim Leavitt Radio Show at the Bull Ring, Fowler Ave., and on WHNZ 1250 AM	11 a.m. Depart TIA via charter flight arrive Topeka Forbes Air Field at 12:30 p.m. (CT).	7 p.m. (ET) USF vs. Kansas 1:00 a.m. (ET) Depart Topeka Forbes Air Field and arrive at TIA at 3:30 a.m.	



►THE TALE OF THE TAPE

The following is a statistical breakdown of USF and Kansas following each team's season opener last weekend. Conference and NCAA rankings are also included.

USF	(BIG EAST/NCAA Rank)	Category	(Big 12/NCAA Rank)	KU
169.67	(5/36)	Rushing Offense	(7/33)	172.67
238.67	(4/38)	Passing Offense	(9/72)	183.33
408.33	(4/27)	Total Offense	(8/57)	356.00
28.67	(5/47)	Scoring Offense	(6/24)	33.67
82.00	(3/26)	Rushing Defense	(4/14)	71.33
179.33	(4/47)	Passing Defense	(11/98)	243.33
91.43	(3/14)	Pass Efficiency Defense	(5/28)	104.36
261.33	(3/27)	Total Defense	(7/54)	314.67
15.67	(5/36)	Scoring Defense	(11/80)	24.67
15.83	(8/119)	Net Punting	(8/84)	33.07
23.22	(2/5)	Punt Returns	(4/14)	16.00
19.63	(5/69)	Kickoff Returns	(5/19)	26.54
0.00	(5/T54th)	Turnover Margin	(12/116)	-2.33

ning by an average margin of victory of 30.9-14.6 ... The KU defense has allowed just 57.7 yards rushing during that span.

- Kansas' defense comes into the USF game ranked 14th in the nation - and fourth in the Big 12 - in rushing defense allowing 71.3 yards per game ... The Jayhawks, however have been more vulnerable through the air-allowing 243.3 yards per outing-which is ranked 98th in I-A and 11th in the Big 12.
- The Jayhawks are 14-6 in non-conference games since 2002 ... In addition, KU has won six of its last seven games against non-conference foes.
- Jon Cornish has rushed for 332 yards this season on 56 carries while scoring one touchdown ... He is averaging 110.7 yards per game ... Quarterback Kerry Meier is the team's second leading ball carrier running for 146 yards on the year on 39 carries, and leads the team in touchdowns scored this season for KU with four.
- Meier is also averaging 179.3 yards through the air ... He has thrown for 538 yards on 47-86 passing with six touchdowns, however, he has recorded seven interceptions in three games.

VS. THE BIG 12

• USF comes into Saturday's game with an 0-2 record against teams currently in the Big 12 Conference ... The following are results from games against current Big 12 teams and teams in the league while USF was a part of the conference:

Date	Opponent	Result	Location
Sept. 23, 2000	Baylor	L, 28-13	Floyd Casey Stadium, Waco, Texas
Sept. 28, 2002	Oklahoma	L, 31-14	Memorial Stadium, Norman, Okla.

• To date, Oklahoma remains the highest ranked opponent that USF has ever faced ... The Sooners were No. 2 in the Associated Press when they defeated the Bulls.

LAST TIME OUT

- USF is coming into the Kansas game on the heels of a thrilling 24-17 come-from-behind win over UCF last Saturday at the Florida Citrus Bowl ... It was the Bulls' third consecutive come-from-behind win of the year ... 46,706 fans packed the Citrus Bowl to watch the game, the fourth largest crowd in UCF history.
- USF rushed for just 100 yards on 38 carries during the game, however recorded 333 yards, on 22-32 passing, and three touchdowns through the air.
- Quarterback Matt Grothe had a career outing in just his second collegiate start ... The freshman accounted for 375 of the Bulls 433 total yards ... He threw for 302 yards on 21-31 passing, while leading the team in rushing with 73 yards on 21 carries.
- Grothe completed his first seven pass attempts before an incomplection at the 12:50 mark of the second quarter.

►MEDIA SERVICES

USF Weekly Football Media Luncheon

USF head coach Jim Leavitt's weekly press luncheon is held every Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. in the BIG EAST Conference Room in the USF Intercollegiate Athletic Complex. Leavitt will speak at 1 p.m. followed by requested players at 1:30 p.m. Player requests should be made through the Sports Information Office by noon on Monday.

BIG EAST Weekly Football Teleconference

The BIG EAST football coaches will hold a weekly teleconference for the media taking place each Monday during the season and concluding on November 27. Each coach will be available for approximately 10 minutes. Media representatives may contact the USF sports information office to get the telephone number. The schedule of coaches is as follows (all times Eastern):

- 11:10 a.m. Bobby Petrino, Louisville
- 11:20 a.m. Dave Wannstedt, Pittsburgh
- 11:30 a.m. Rich Rodriguez, West Virginia
- 11:40 a.m. Randy Edsall, Connecticut
- 11:50 a.m. Greg Robinson, Syracuse
- Noon Jim Leavitt, USF
- 12:10 p.m. Mark Dantonio, Cincinnati
- 12:20 p.m. Greg Schiano, Rutgers

BIG EAST Weekly Satellite Feed

The BIG EAST will begin its weekly football satellite feed on Wednesday, Sept. 6. The feed will be available each Wednesday during the season, concluding on Nov. 29. Approximately three and a half minutes of highlights and interviews are available for each team in the conference. Information on the feed is as follows:

- Dates Sept. 6-Nov. 29
- Time 3 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
- Coordinates Galaxy 16C, T 12

Postgame Interviews

The USF locker room is closed following the game. Player interview requests should be directed to assistant SID Michael Hogan by the middle of the fourth quarter. Player interviews can not be conducted on the field following the game.

Practice Schedule

All USF practices are closed. Coach Leavitt is available at the conclusion of each practice.



►THE BIG EAST

2006 Standings

	Conf.	Pct.	Over.	Pct.
Pittsburgh	. . . . .1-0	. . .1.000	. .2-1	. . . .667
Louisville	. . . . .0-0	. . . .000	. .3-0	. .1.000
Rutgers	. . . . .0-0	. . . .000	. .3-0	. .1.000
USF	. . . . .0-0	. . . .000	. .2-0	. .1.000
West Virginia	. . . . .0-0	. . . .000	. .3-0	. .1.000
Connecticut	. . . . .0-0	. . . .000	. .1-1	. . .500
Syracuse	. . . . .0-0	. . . .000	. .1-2	. . .333
Cincinnati	. . . . .0-1	. . . .000	. .1-2	. . .333

2006 USF Non-Conference Opponents

Opponent	Record	This Week's Game/	Next Game
McNeese State	. .1-1	. . . . .at Toledo (9/23)/	. . . . .South Dakota State (9/30)
FIU	. . . . .0-3	. . . . .at Maryland (9/23)/	. . . . .Arkansas State (9/30)
UCF	. . . . .1-2	. . . . .Southern Miss (9/26)/	. . . . .at Marshall (10/4)
Kansas	. . . . .2-1	. . . . .USF (9/23)/	. . . . .at Nebraska (9/30)
North Carolina	. .1-2	. . . . .Clemson (9/23)/	. . . . .Off

Preseason BIG EAST Media Poll

1. West Virginia (18)
2. Louisville (6)
3. Pittsburgh
4. Rutgers
5. USF
6. Connecticut
7. Cincinnati
8. Syracuse

This Week In The BIG EAST

Saturday, September 23

- Cincinnati at Virginia Tech (ESPNU)
- Howard at Rutgers (ESPN Regional)
- USF at Kansas (Fox Sports Net)
- The Citadel at Pittsburgh (ESPN 360)
- Connecticut at Indiana (ESPN Regional)
- Louisville at Kansas State (Fox Sports Net)
- Miami (Ohio) at Syracuse (ESPNU)
- West Virginia at East Carolina (ESPN2)

• Ean Randolph had a big afternoon, being the recipient of Grothe's aerial generosity ... Randolph caught five passes for 126 yards and one touchdown in the win.

• After trailing 10-7 at the intermission, the Bulls would come out on top after a wild second half ... Mike Benzer would hit his first collegiate field goal from 30 yards out with time running out in the third quarter tying the game at 10-all ... After UCF went three-and-out in the first series of the fourth quarter, it would take the Bulls just five plays over 48 yards to take a 17-10 lead with 11:05 left in the contest ... USF would get the ball back after the Golden Knights' second straight three-and-out, but wouldn't fare that much better ... After six plays the Bulls would be forced to punt, but the attempt would be blocked and recovered by UCF's Blake Carter who would scamper 31 yards to tie the game again at 17 points apiece ... USF would take the lead for good using a nine-play, 90-yard drive resulting in a 27-yard pass from Matt Grothe to Ean Randolph with 3:20 left in the contest ... The Golden Knights would drive the field, eventually getting to the Bulls' 10-yard line with 30 seconds remaining, however USF's Chris Robinson would sack UCF quarterback Stephen Moffett forcing a fumble on 4th and six which was recovered by the Bull's Richard Clebert to secure the win.

A USF WIN WOULD ...

- Would give the Bulls a 4-0 record for just the second time in the program's 10-year history ... The Bulls also started the 1998 season 4-0 with wins over Slippery Rock, 39-10, on Sept. 5, Valparaiso, 51-0, on Sept. 12, Liberty, 24-21, on Sept. 19, and The Citadel, 45-6, on Oct. 3 ... That season, USF would run out to a 5-0 record to start the season, the best in school history.
- Be the first-ever win for USF over a member of the Big 12 Conference ... The Bulls would be 1-2 against Big 12 schools.
- Be USF's fourth road win in its last five regular season games (excluding the neutral site Meineke Car Care loss to North Carolina State, 14-0).

- Mark USF's first back-to-back road wins since defeating Rutgers, 45-31, on Nov. 5, 2005 and Syracuse, 27-0, on Nov. 12, 2005.
- Raise the Bull's all-time road record to 18-26 all-time ... In addition, it would improve USF's all-time record to 65-39.

- Give the Bulls their first-ever 2-0 road record to start a season ... USF has gone 1-1 in its first two road games five times, in 1998, 1999, 2001, 2003, and 2004.

A USF LOSS WOULD ...

- Would extend USF's losing streak against Big 12 Conference school's to 0-3.
- End the Bulls' three-game season-opening winning streak.
- Drop USF's all-time road record to 17-27 all-time ... In addition, it would drop the Bulls' all-time record to 64-40.
- Even USF's 2006 road record at 1-1 ... It would mark the sixth time in program history that the Bulls started out their first two road game with a 1-1 record.

QB BATTLE ENTERING 2006

• USF's quarterback situation coming into the 2006 season had certainly been up in the air ... Pat Julmiste got the start against McNeese State, however gave way to redshirt freshman Matt Grothe in the second quarter ... Grothe played until the final series of the game when transfer Grant Gregory saw his first collegiate action.

• Of the three, Julmiste, Grothe, and Gregory, Julmiste is the only one that had collegiate experience, entering this year's season opener against the Cowboys ... Through the McNeese State game, Julmiste started in 24 of 30 games for the Bulls including 22 of 24 over the past two years ... He has thrown for 3,499 career yards and has completed 273-of-566 passes with 16 touchdowns and 23 interceptions.

• Grothe redshirted last season and served as a scout team QB, and Gregory transferred to USF after redshirting his freshman year at Indiana.

JUST FOR STARTERS

- Matt Grothe became the eighth USF quarterback to start a game in its 10-year history when he



got the starting nod against Florida International on Saturday ... Here is what other USF quarterbacks have done in their first career starts:

Chad Barnhardt

Passing	W/L	Att	Cmp	Int	Yds.	TD	Long
Kentucky Wesleyan (9/6/97)	W, 80-3	28	14	0	255	2	52

Rushing	Att	Net	TD	Long
Kentucky Wesleyan	1	-7	0	-7

Glen Gauntt

Passing	W/L	Att	Cmp	Int	Yds.	TD	Long
Cumberland (1/7/98)	W, 69-3	19	13	0	266	3	56

Rushing	Att	Net	TD	Long
Cumberland	3	-16	0	0

Marquel Blackwell

Passing	W/L	Att	Cmp	Int	Yds.	TD	Long
at Western Kentucky (9/18/99)	W, 21-6	27	16	0	169	3	48

Rushing	Att	Net	TD	Long
at Western Kentucky	8	-8	0	-8

Ronnie Banks

Passing	W/L	Att	Cmp	Int	Yds.	TD	Long
at Alabama (8/30/03)	L, 40-17	33	17	1	199	1	40

Rushing	Att	Net	TD	Long
at Alabama	3	-8	1	1

Brian Fisher

Passing	W/L	Att	Cmp	Int	Yds.	TD	Long
Charleston Southern (10.18/03)	W, 55-7	3	1	0	7	0	7

Rushing	Att	Net	TD	Long
Charleston Southern	4	6	1	3

Pat Julmiste

Passing	W/L	Att	Cmp	Int	Yds.	TD	Long
at East Carolina (11/8/03)	W, 38-37 (ot)	6	4	0	15	1	10

Rushing	Att	Net	TD	Long
at East Carolina	10	3	0	9

Courtney Denson

Passing	W/L	Att	Cmp	Int	Yds.	TD	Long
at Penn State (9/3/05)	L, 23-13	3	0	0	0	0	0

Rushing	Att	Net	TD	Long
at Penn State	2	2	0	2

Matt Grothe

Passing	W/L	Att	Cmp	Int	Yds.	TD	Long
vs. Florida International (9/9/06)	W, 21-20	28	12	2	174	1	29

Rushing	Att	Net	TD	Long
Florida International	16	82	0	15

THE GROWTH OF GROTHE

• Freshman quarterback Matt Grothe has shown steady improvement in his first three collegiate games and his second-straight start ... He has also started to make steps to establishing himself in USF's record books.

• Grothe's 302 passing yards at UCF last weekend established a new USF freshman record, eclipsing Marquel Blackwell's 239-yard game against New Haven in 1999 ... Blackwell also had a 238-yard game that same year against Liberty.

• Grothe also has the top-three rushing games by a freshman quarterback in USF history, including his 73 yards at UCF ... He had 82 rushing yards against Florida International on Sept. 9 and 58 in the season opener against McNeese State on Sept. 2 ... Blackwell had held the record with 57 yards against Southwest Texas State in 1999.

• Grothe's 302 yards also marking the first time a USF QB has eclipsed 300 since Pat Julmiste - Grothe's current back-up - did so with 324 yards in a double overtime win at TCU on Sept. 25, 2004.

• Grothe has led the Bulls from behind to win all three games this season ... USF trailed 10-7 at the half against UCF.

GROTHE AT THE WHEEL

• Since entering the season-opening game against McNeese State amidst USF's first drive of the

▶ INSTANT RELPAY

THE OBJECTIVE

The Big East's instant replay system is designed to allow for specific types of officiating calls to be immediately reviewed and corrected during all Conference and non-conference home games.

THE STANDARD

There must be indisputable video evidence for an officiating call to be changed by a Replay Official working from the press box. The replay system will not guarantee that all officiating mistakes are corrected.

THE SOURCE

During televised games, all reviewable video will come directly from the television network broadcasting the game (ABC Sports, ESPN, ESPN2, ESPN Plus Television, etc.). In non-televised games, all reviewable video will come directly from four in-house video cameras. The review process will never use both television and in-house cameras in any one game.

THE PROCESS

The BIG EAST Conference Instant Replay System is not the NFL Model. A review can be triggered by the Replay Official in the press box, or the head coach on the field. The Replay Officials will have available to them the video coming directly from the television network broadcasting the game or from four in-house video cameras. The DVSPORT Digital Replay software will be used for all reviews. Unlike the NFL, there is no limit to the number of plays that can be reviewed by the replay official. Coaches, however, are limited to one challenge per game. A team is subject to a loss of timeout if the coaches' challenge is upheld.

THE PLAYS

Reviewable

The following plays are subject to review under Big East instant replay:

- Plays governed by Sideline, Goal Line, End Zone, and End Line:
 - Scoring Plays, including a runner breaking the plane of the goal line.
 - Pass complete/incomplete/intercepted at side line, goal line and end line.
 - Runner/receiver in or out of bounds.
 - Recovery of loose ball in or out of bounds.
 - A loose ball touching a sideline, goal line or an end line.
- Passing Plays:
 - Pass ruled complete/incomplete/intercepted in the field of play and end zones.
 - Touching of a forward pass by an ineligible receiver.
 - Touching of a forward pass by a defensive player.
 - Quarterback (Passer) forward pass or fumble (if ruled incomplete, the play is finalized).
 - Illegal forward pass beyond the line of scrimmage.
 - Illegal forward pass or illegal handling after change of possession.
 - Forward or backward pass thrown from behind the line of scrimmage
- Other Detectable Infractions:
 - Runner ruled not down.
 - Forward progress with respect to first down.
 - Touching of a kick.
 - Number of players on field.
 - Kicker beyond line of scrimmage on a kick.
 - Clock adjustments
 - Fourth-down/try fumble plays

NOT REVIEWABLE

Examples:

- Holding.
- Offside/encroachment.
- Pass interference.
- Personal fouls (e.g., late hits).
- Illegal blocks.
- Illegal formations.
- Face mask.
- Taunting / excessive celebration.
- False starts.
- Roughing passer / kicker.
- Fighting participants.

► **USF'S RECORD WHEN...**

At home	.2-0
On the road	.1-0
Against BIG EAST opponents	.0-0
Against non-conference opponents	.3-0
On natural grass	.3-0
On field turf	.0-0
On other surfaces	.0-0
In day games	.1-0
In home day games	.0-0
In road day games	.1-0
In night games	.2-0
In home night games	.2-0
In road night games	.0-0
In September	.3-0
In October	.0-0
In November	.0-0
Leading after 1st quarter	.1-0
Leading after 2nd quarter	.0-0
Leading after 3rd quarter	.1-0
Tied after 1st quarter	.0-0
Tied after 2nd quarter	.0-0
Tied after 3rd quarter	.1-0
Trailing after 1st quarter	.2-0
Trailing after 2nd quarter	.3-0
Trailing after 3rd quarter	.1-0
In overtime	.0-0
USF scores first	.1-0
Opponent scores first	.2-0
USF has the first possession	.1-0
Opponent has the first possession	.2-0
USF scores 0-10 points	.0-0
USF scores 11-20 points	.0-0
USF scores 21-30 points	.2-0
USF scores 31-40 points	.0-0
USF scores 41-50 points	.1-0
USF scores 50-plus points	.0-0
Opponent scores 0-10 points	.1-0
Opponent scores 11-20 points	.2-0
Opponent scores 21-30 points	.0-0
Opponent scores 31-40 points	.0-0
Opponent scores 41-50 points	.0-0
Opponent scores 50-plus points	.0-0
USF has over 200 yards rushing	.1-0
USF has less than 200 yards rushing	.2-0
Opponent has over 200 yards rushing	.0-0
Opponent has less than 200 yards rushing	.3-0
USF has over 200 yards passing	.2-0
USF has less than 200 yards passing	.1-0
Opponent has over 200 yards passing	.2-0
Opponent has less than 200 yards passing	.1-0
USF gains 0-100 net yards	.0-0
USF gains 101-200 net yards	.0-0
USF gains 201-300 net yards	.1-0
USF gains 301-400 net yards	.0-0
USF gains 401-500 net yards	.2-0
USF gains 501-plus net yards	.0-0
Opponent gains 0-100 net yards	.0-0
Opponent gains 101-200 net yards	.1-0
Opponent gains 201-300 net yards	.1-0
Opponent gains 301-400 net yards	.1-0
Opponent gains 401-500 net yards	.0-0
Opponent gains 501-plus net yards	.0-0
USF commits 0-5 penalties	.1-0
USF commits 6-10 penalties	.2-0
USF commits 10-plus penalties	.0-0
Opponent commits 0-5 penalties	.0-0
Opponent commits 6-10 penalties	.3-0
Opponent commits 10-plus penalties	.0-0
USF leads in time of possession	.2-0
USF trails in time of possession	.1-0
USF commits more turnovers	.0-0
Opponent commits more turnovers	.2-0

second quarter (Pat Julmiste came out after the seventh play of the drive with a thigh bruise), USF redshirt freshman quarterback Matt Grothe has directed the offense in 11 touchdown drives, including five that ranged from 79 to 90 yards ... The average Grothe touchdown drive has been 5.2 plays for 55.6 yards.

McNeese State (Sept. 2)

Plays	Yards	Scoring Play
5 *	21	Grothe 1-yard run
5	87	47-yard pass, Marcus Edwards
2	12	10-yard pass, Ean Randolph
4	48	Walt Smith 3-yard run
4	36	Walt Smith 24-yard run
5	80	Keeley Dorsey 52-yard run

* Pat Julmiste directed first eight plays for 41 yards before leaving game.

Florida International (Sept. 9)

Plays	Yards	Scoring Play
9	80	Taurus Johnson 14-yard run
2	29	29-yard pass, Taurus Johnson

at UCF (Sept. 16)

Plays	Yards	Scoring Play
7	79	7-yard pass, Marcus Edwards
5	48	2-yard pass, Ben Williams
9	90	27-yard pass, Ean Randolph

TOP TWO ROOKIE QB'S FACE OFF

• This week's USF at Kansas game will feature the top two freshmen quarterbacks in the nation ... Here's how USF's Matt Grothe and Kansas' Kerry Meier rank among the nation's freshmen and overall in I-A.

Matt Grothe (Fresh. Rank/Overall)	Category	(Fresh. Rank/Overall) Kerry Meier
647 (1st/30th)	Passing Yards	(2nd/54th) 538
215.67 (1st/37th)	Passing Yards/Game	(2nd/59th) 179.3
286.7 (1st/11th)	Total Offense (Avg.)	(2nd/35th) 228.0
6 (T1st*/T14th)	Touchdown Passes	(T1st*/T14th) 6

* Justin Willis of SMU also has six touchdown passes

FAMILIAR FACES

• Saturday's game will be a homecoming of sorts for a few people involved in the USF football program ... Bulls' head coach Jim Leavitt spent six seasons (1990-95) as an assistant coach/co-defensive coordinator at Kansas State prior to his current position at USF ... He held the position with Oklahoma head coach Bob Stoops ... In addition, Leavitt served on the same staff with Kansas head coach Mark Mangino, who worked on the offensive side of the ball with the Wildcats from 1991-98.

• USF cornerbacks coach Rich Rachel served as a secondary coach at KU from 1978-82 and was an assistant head coach at Kansas State from 1986-88 ... He is in his seventh season with the Bulls.

• USF radio color analyst Mark Robinson played four seasons for the Kansas City Chiefs from 1984-87 before playing out the remainder of his career with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers (1988-90) ... He played in 88 games during his National Football League career recording 4.5 sacks and 15 interceptions ... Robinson was an All-American defensive back at Penn State when he played for the Nittany Lions' 1982 National Championship team ... He had nine tackles and two interceptions in that Sugar Bowl win over Georgia.

• Former USF linebacker Kawika Mitchell was a second round draft pick (47th overall) of the Kansas City Chiefs in the 2003 NFL Draft ... He currently is the highest drafted football player in school history ... Mitchell has solidified his spot as the Chiefs starting middle linebacker ... Through two games with KC this year, Mitchell is seventh on the team in tackles with nine.

• USF Director of Football Operations, Larry Antonucci, was an assistant for four years, from 1995-98, at Emporia State where he coached the receivers (1995-96) and defensive line (1997-98).

• Mike Simmonds, USF defensive grad assistant coach was the head coach of Kansas receiver Tertavian Ingram at Jefferson High School.

PITCHING A SHUTOUT

• For the second time in the last 12 games, the USF offensive line held the nation's individual sack leader without a sack ... The Bulls did it last year against Louisville's Elvis Dumervil and again on Sept. 9 against FIU's Antwan Barnes ... Barnes came into the USF game with four sacks in FIU's first game of the season at Middle Tennessee.

BRING IT BACK

• Ean Randolph enters this weekend third in the nation in punt returns (27.14 ypr), but the feat would be even more impressive if he didn't have THREE touchdowns called back by penalties in the first two games of the season ... The first came in the season opener vs. McNeese State on Sept. 2 and two more came vs. FIU on Sept. 9 ... He did get one TD without penalty (76 yards) in the FIU game, making him just the second player in USF history to return a punt for a TD ... DeAndrew Rubin did it four times between 1999-2002 ... The following are the nation's top five punt returners entering this weekend:

Name, School	PR	Yds	TD	YPR
1. Sammie Stroughter, Oregon State	5	157	2	31.4
2. Larry Taylor, UConn	3	82	0	27.3
3. Ean Randolph, USF	75	190	1	27.1
4. Chris Garrett, Ohio	5	134	0	26.8
5. Brian Murph, Kansas	4	104	1	26.0

• Saturday could be an exciting contest in terms of the punting game ... In addition to Randolph, KU's Brian Murph is fifth in the nation in punt returns averaging 26 yards per attempt.

TRAE-MENDOUS

• To say that defensive back Trae Williams is having a banner year so far would be an understatement ... Williams is currently tied for second in the nation in interceptions per game averaging 1.33 per outing ... He shares the spot with C.J. Wilson of Baylor.

• Against UCF, Williams intercepted a first quarter pass, the third straight game in which he intercepted a pass ... He picked up his second interception of the game, also in the first quarter ... It was the first time Williams has had two interceptions in one game ... The last time a USF player had two interceptions in one game was Sidney Simpson vs. East Carolina Nov. 13, 2004.

• Williams is also tied for second in the nation in passes defended, averaging 2.0 per game.

• Williams comes into Saturday tied for fifth on the team in tackles with 15, including nine solo.

A LACK OF SENIORITIS

• Whether you measure by fewest seniors or most first-year USF players, the Bulls may have their youngest team ever ... The only one that compares is the 1997 team, USF's first-ever season ... In looking at the senior class, only seven of the 11 players arrived at USF with a scholarship, while the remaining five enrolled as walk-ons (This does not account for Tavarious Robinson, who may use a redshirt season) ... That ranks among the fewest scholarship players for a senior class in the nation.

School	Fewest Recruited Scholarship Players
Kentucky	6
Florida State	6
South Carolina	6
USF	7
Duke	7
Utah State	7
Virginia	7

• Looking at the USF roster from the first-time player perspective, it is noteworthy that 22 players saw their first-ever action for the Bulls in the season opener against McNeese State on Sept. 2 ... Nine players earned their first-ever collegiate start, including five on offense and four on defense ... The following is a list of USF's senior class:

▶ AP TOP 25

No.	Team (1st)	Record	Points
1.	Ohio State (59)	3-0	1,617
2.	Auburn (2)	3-0	1,507
3.	USC (2)	2-0	1,494
4.	West Virginia (2)	3-0	1,419
5.	Florida	3-0	1,350
6.	Michigan	3-0	1,297
7.	Texas	2-1	1,180
8.	Louisville	3-0	1,121
9.	Georgia	3-0	1,105
10.	LSU	2-1	1,085
11.	Virginia Tech	3-0	931
12.	Notre Dame	2-1	912
13.	Oregon	3-0	833
14.	Iowa	3-0	831
15.	Tennessee	2-1	585
16.	TCU	3-0	527
17.	Oklahoma	2-1	510
18.	Florida State	2-1	466
19.	Clemson	2-1	399
T20.	Arizona State	3-0	384
T20.	Boston College	3-0	384
22.	California	2-1	383
23.	Nebraska	2-1	162
24.	Penn State	2-1	143
25.	Boise State	3-0	110

Others receiving votes: Alabama 94, Miami (FL) 78, Rutgers 46, UCLA 40, Michigan State 33, Wisconsin 29, Missouri 22, Georgia Tech 19, Texas Tech 16, Texas A&M 9, Arkansas 2, Purdue 2.

▶ ESPN/USA TODAY TOP 25

No.	Team (1st)	Record	Points
1.	Ohio State (60)	3-0	1,572
2.	USC (2)	2-0	1,493
3.	Auburn (1)	3-0	1,432
4.	West Virginia	3-0	1,359
5.	Florida	3-0	1,282
6.	Michigan	3-0	1,181
7.	Georgia	3-0	1,178
8.	Texas	2-1	1,144
9.	Louisville	3-0	1,106
10.	Virginia Tech	3-0	964
11.	LSU	2-1	911
12.	Oregon	3-0	829
13.	Notre Dame	2-1	814
14.	Iowa	3-0	781
15.	TCU	3-0	621
16.	Oklahoma	2-1	508
17.	Florida State	2-1	459
18.	Arizona State	3-0	397
19.	Tennessee	2-1	376
20.	California	2-1	366
21.	Boston College	3-0	348
22.	Alabama	3-0	314
23.	Clemson	2-1	283
24.	Nebraska	2-1	167
25.	Boise State	3-0	139

Others receiving votes: Penn State 138, Miami (FL) 81, UCLA 60, Rutgers 43, Texas Tech 38, Michigan State 37, Georgia Tech 14, Wisconsin 9, Texas A&M 9, Missouri 7, Purdue 5, Maryland 3, Washington 3, Arkansas 2, UTEP 1, Southern Miss. 1.

Opponents in **BOLD**

▶▶USF BIG PLAYS (25+ YDS)

Oppt.	Yds.	Play	Qtr.	Player(s)
FIU	76	P Ret.	2nd	Ean Randolph
MSU	64	Pass	3rd	Grothe-C. Hill
MSU	52	Run	4th	Keeley Dorsey
UCF	51	Pass	1st	Ean Randolph
FIU	47	P Ret.	1st	Ean Randolph
MSU	47	Pass	3rd	Grothe-Edwards
MSU	34	P Ret.	4th	Ean Randolph
UCF	31	Pass	4th	Amp Hill
FIU	29	Pass	4th	Taurus Johnson
UCF	28	Pass	2nd	Ean Randolph
UCF	28	P Ret.	2nd	Ean Randolph
UCF	27	Pass	4th	Ean Randolph
UCF	26	Run	4th	Matt Grothe

▶▶USF SCORING DRIVES

Game	Qtr.	Pts.	P-Y-TOP	Player(s)
MSU	2	TD	13-66-5:10	Matt Grothe 1-yd
MSU	3	TD	5-87-2:10	Grothe-Edwards 47-yd
MSU	4	TD	2-12-0:48	Grothe-Randolph 1-yd
MSU	4	TD	4-48-1:21	Walt Smith 3-yd
MSU	4	TD	4-36-2:17	Walt Smith 24-yd
MSU	4	TD	5-80-3:27	Keeley Dorsey 52-yd
FIU	2	TD		Ean Randolph 76-yd PR
FIU	3	TD	9-80-3:45	Taurus Johnson 14-yd
FIU	4	TD	2-29-0:29	Grothe-Johnson 29-yd
UCF	1	TD	7-79-3:33	Grothe-Edwards 7-yd
UCF	3	FG	7-37-3:27	Mike Benzer 30-yd
UCF	4	TD	5-48-2:08	Grothe-B. Williams 2-yd
UCF	4	TD	9-90-3:38	Grothe-Randolph 27-yd

No.	Name	Pos.
84	Will Bleakley	TE
66	Ryan Bordeau	LS
33	Jeremy Burnett	DB
44	Devin Gordon	TE
81	S.J. Green	WR
3	Pat Julmiste	QB
51	Stephen Nicholas	LB
80	Ean Randolph	WR
46	Tavarious Robinson	DT
25	Walt Smith	RB
54	Patrick St. Louis	LB
55	Thed Watson	OT

THE D WATSON NAMED TO OUTLAND TROPHY WATCH LIST

• Offensive tackle Thed Watson is the first player at USF to be named to the Outland Trophy Watch List which is given to the best interior lineman in college football ... Watson enters his second, and final year at USF - after transferring from Northwest Mississippi Community College prior to the 2005 season - had a stellar junior campaign en route to All-BIG EAST Conference honors ... He earned a starting job at left tackle with an impressive back-up effort in the season opener at Penn State on Sept. 3 ... The first of eight starts came a week later against Florida A&M.

• The award is chosen by the Football Writers Association of America and is the third oldest trophy in college football behind the Heisman Trophy and the Maxwell Award ... Lee Roy Selmon, President, USF Foundation Partnership for Athletics, won the 1975 Outland Trophy at the conclusion of his senior year at the University of Oklahoma ... He was then the No. 1 overall pick by the expansion Tampa Bay Buccaneers and would go on to be the only player in Bucs history to be inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

NICHOLAS READY FOR A BIG, BIG EAST SEASON

• Stephen Nicholas enters his senior campaign as a force to be reckoned with on the defensive side of the ball ... He was third on the team last year in tackles with 79 (49 UT, 30 AT).

• Nicholas also comes into the 2006 season after leading the team last season in tackles for losses ... He registered 15.5 for negative 69 yards ... He was one-half a tackle ahead of teammate Ben Moffitt (15 TFL, negative 47 yards) ... Nicholas was third in the BIG EAST in 2005 in TFL.

• Nicholas paced the Bulls in tackles against McNeese State with seven including six solo ... He also had one tackle for a loss and a pass broken up ... Against Florida International, Nicholas recorded three tackles, all for a loss.

• Nicholas comes into Saturday's game fourth on the team in tackles with 16 including nine solo.

NICHOLAS NAMED TO BUTKUS AWARD WATCH LIST

• For the third consecutive year, Stephen Nicholas has been named to the Butkus Award Watch List compiled by the Downtown Athletic Club of Orlando ... Nicholas is one of just six players from the BIG EAST to be named to the list ... In addition to the Bulls' senior linebacker, H.B. Blades (Pittsburgh), Nate Harris (Louisville), Kevin McLee (West Virginia), Corey Smith (Cincinnati), and Kelvin Smith (Syracuse) from the BIG EAST were also included on the list.

• Nicholas is the sixth USF player who has been a Butkus candidate ... Maurice Jones in 2003 and Kawika Mitchell - twice in 2001 and 2002 ... Demetrius Woods and Vassay Marc also made the list in 1998 and 2000 respectively.

• The list is trimmed to 10 finalists on Oct. 19, with that list being cut to three on Nov. 9 ... The three semifinalists will be announced via national teleconference that will include players, coaches, Butkus Award officials, and media members ... The winner will be announced on Dec. 9 at the Butkus Award Gala in Orlando.

AND ALSO THE NAGURSKI LIST

• Nicholas also became the first player at USF to be named to the preseason Bronco Nagurski Watch List ... The award, sponsored by the Charlotte Touchdown Club and chosen by the Football Writers Association of America, is given to the best defensive player in college football ... Ben Moffitt was added to the list last season after his play in the Bulls win over Louisville.

BULLS LIKE TO WORK OVERTIME

• Entering this season, USF boasts an impressive 5-0 record in overtime games, with four of the five extra session outings coming in the last three years ... The Bulls' last overtime game was a 45-44, double OT thriller at TCU on Sept. 25, 2004.

• USF is 3-0 at home in overtime games and 2-0 on the road ... The Bulls' last two extra session games have been road contests ... The following are USF's five overtime games:

Date	Opponent	Result	Location
Oct. 23, 1999	New Hampshire	W, 42-41 (ot)	Raymond James Stadium, Tampa, Fla.
Oct. 2, 2003	Louisville	W, 38-21 (2ot)	Raymond James Stadium, Tampa, Fla.
Oct. 31, 2003	Cincinnati	W, 24-17 (2ot)	Raymond James Stadium, Tampa, Fla.
Nov. 8, 2003	East Carolina	W, 38-37 (2ot)	Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium, Greenville, N.C.
Sept. 25, 2004	TCU	W, 45-44 (2ot)	Amon G. Carter Stadium, Ft. Worth, Texas

THE DYNAMIC DUO

• It's no secret that USF linebackers Stephen Nicholas and Ben Moffitt are forces to be reckoned with in the BIG EAST Conference ... The two enter the 2006 season as the top returning duo in the BIG EAST in tackles for losses ... Last season Nicholas was third in the league in TFL's with 15.5 for 69 yards (1.29 TPG) ... Moffitt also recorded 15 hits behind the line of scrimmage for 47 yards (1.25 TPG) ... The following are the BIG EAST's 2005 leaders in tackles for losses:

Name	Team	G	TFL	Yds.	Avg/G.
Elvis Dumervil	Louisville	12	23.0	171	1.92
Ryan Neill	Rutgers	12	21.5	95	1.79
Stephen Nicholas	USF	12	15.5	69	1.29
Ben Moffitt	USF	12	15.0	47	1.25
Ramel Meekins	Rutgers	12	15.0	105	1.25

• Nicholas and Moffitt were two of the top three tacklers for the Bulls against McNeese State on Sept. 2 ... Nicholas finished the game with seven stops while Moffitt had four, including three solo.

• Moffitt had a standout game against Florida International on Sept. 9 recording eight tackles, all solo, and two tackles for a loss of four yards.

• Both Moffitt and Nicholas are in the top four tacklers on the team ... Moffitt, second on the team, has 18 tackles including two for a loss ... Nicholas is fourth on the team in stops with 16.

VERPAELE RETURNS TO LINE UP

• Danny Verpaele will be a welcome sight to an already solid defensive secondary ... Verpaele was tabbed a third team freshman All-American by The Sporting News at the conclusion of his rookie campaign ... He looked forward to a banner year as a sophomore, however suffered a broken foot in August 2005 which ended his season.

• Verpaele started in seven of 11 games as a freshman and finished fourth on the team in tackles with 57, including six for losses, and two sacks.

• Verpaele turned in his third straight three tackle game, this season, last weekend against UCF.

THE HEIR APARENTS

• There will be some extremely big shoes to fill this season in the Bulls backfield with the loss of USF's all-time leading rusher Andre Hall ... Although Hall played just two seasons for the Bulls he amassed an impressive 2,731 career yards and 24 rushing touchdowns (27 career TD's) in just 23 collegiate games.

• Moise (pronounced Moses) Plancher came into the McNeese State game, on Sept. 2, No. 1 on the depth chart despite never taking a live snap in a game after redshirting the 2005 campaign ... He unfortunately left the game prior to the end of the Bulls' first series with a knee injury ... He had just carried the ball four times rushing for 26 yards, including a 16-yard scamper for his longest of the game ... Plancher would find out on Sept. 5 that he would likely miss the remainder of the 2006 season with a ACL tear in his right knee.

• The backfield, however stepped up after Plancher's exit as three other Bulls rushed for better than 50 yards against McNeese State ... USF also scored four of its six touchdowns by way of the ground attack.

▶▶ OPPT. BIG PLAYS

(25+YDS)

Oppt.	Yds.	Play	Qtr.	Player(s)
FIU	82	P Ret.	1st	Chandler Williams
UCF	37	Pass	2nd	Willie Thornton
MSU	33	Int Ret.	1st	Bryant Mason
UCF	31	P Ret.	4th	Blake Carter
FIU	27	Pass	4th	Ashlyn Parker
UCF	26	Pass	2nd	Mike Walker
FIU	25	Pass	3rd	Chandler Williams

▶▶ OPPT. SCORING DRIVES

Game	Qtr.	Pts.	P-Y-TOP	Player(s)
MSU	1	TD		Jarred Dolan FR in end zone
MSU	2	FG	13-67-5:33	Blake Bercegeay 22-yd
FIU	1	TD		Chandler Williams 82-yd PR
FIU	2	TD		Robert Mitchell 14-yd IR
FIU	2	TD	11-84-6:15	Padrick-S. Smith 3-yd
UCF	2	FG	16-79-6:29	Michael Torres 22-yd
UCF	2	TD	5-85-2:06	Moffett-Thornton 37-yd
UCF	4	TD		Blake Carter 31-yd PR

► **2006 USF KUDOS**

Mark Dile

- USF Offensive Team Captain (McNeese State)

S.J. Green

- USF Offensive Team Captain (FIU, UCF)

Matt Grothe

- BIG EAST Conference
Offensive Player of the Week (Sept. 18)

Taurus Johnson

- BIG EAST Conference Honor Roll (Sept. 9)

Pat Julmiste

- USF Offensive Team Captain

Stephen Nicholas

- USF Defensive Team Captain
- Butkus Award Watch List
- Bronco Nagurski Trophy Watch List
- Honorable Mention All-American, *Street & Smith Magazine*
- All-BIG EAST Conference, *The Sporting News*
- All-BIG EAST Conference
Blue Ribbon College Football Yearbook

George Selvie

- BIG EAST Conference Honor Roll (Sept. 9)

Patrick St. Louis

- USF Defensive Team Captain

Theo Watson

- Outland Trophy Watch List
- Honorable Mention All-American, *Street & Smith Magazine*
- All-BIG EAST Conference
The Sporting News
- All-BIG EAST Conference
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► **PLAYERS OF THE GAME**

OffenseName (Of Note ...)

- McNeese State
- FIUTaurus Johnson (2TD, 6 rec., 106 yds.)
- UCF
- Kansas
- Rutgers
- Connecticut
- North Carolina
- Cincinnati
- Pittsburgh
- Syracuse
- Louisville
- West Virginia

• Walt Smith finished the McNeese State game leading the Bulls in rushing yards with 70 on seven carries and two TD's ... Smith was a late addition to the 2005 roster after a junior college career at Ellsworth Community College ... Smith saw action in all 12 games last year, mostly on special teams and some spot time at cornerback where he recorded five tackles on the year.

• Benjamin Williams and Keeley Dorsey also impressed ... Williams ran for 54 yards on nine carries ... Dorsey rushed for 53 yards on two carries and scored a touchdown on the final play of the game.

• Matt Grothe rushed for 82 of the Bulls 123 yards against Florida International on Sept. 9 ... He carried the ball 16 times and scampered for 5.1 yards per carry ... Grothe's yardage is the most logged by a USF quarterback since Pat Julmiste ran for 90 yards on 20 carries against Army on Oct. 16, 2004 ... Grothe had another solid outing running the ball against UCF logging 73 yards on 21 carries.

FOR THE RECORD

• USF is 50-25 in night games and has won 27 of the last 38 and 36 of the last 52 ... USF is 14-14 in day games and has won just seven of its last 16 ... USF is 2-2 in home day games.

• USF is 17-26 all-time on the road ... The Bulls lost their first three road games in 1997 (at The Citadel, 10-7, on Sept. 13 1997; at Western Kentucky, 31-3, on Sept. 27; and at Elon, 41-13, on Oct. 11) and are 15-18 since ... USF was 1-3 in 1997, 2-2 in 1998, 1-3 in 1999, 1-4 in 2000, 1-3 in 2001, 3-2 in 2002, 3-2 in 2003, 2-3 on the road during the 2004 season, and 2-4 away from home last year ... USF lost five straight road games - at Troy State (41-24) on Sept. 25, 1999, James Madison (13-3) on Oct. 30, 1999, Kentucky (27-9) on Sept. 9, 2000, Baylor (28-13) on Sept. 23, 2000, and Southern Miss (41-7) on Oct. 7, 2000 - prior to a win at UConn (21-13) on Oct. 28, 2000 ... Since then, Bulls have won 10 of their last 17 road games.

• USF is 25-11 when the temperature is 80 degrees or higher at kickoff ... USF is 21-2 at home when the temperature is 80 degrees or better ... The Bulls are 19-1 at Raymond James Stadium when it is 80 degrees, losing only to Southern Miss (30-27), Oct. 2, 2004 ... Only 12 of USF's 34 games played in 80-degree heat or better were played on the road ... The Bulls are 5-7 away from home in 80-plus degrees.

• USF is 47-12 all-time at home and 41-9 at Raymond James Stadium ... The Bulls have won 27 of the last 33, 35 of the last 42, and 40 of the last 48 at home ... Hofstra was the first team to defeat the Bulls at Raymond James Stadium, handing USF a 42-23 loss Nov. 13, 1999 ... The only other teams to defeat the Bulls at Raymond James Stadium were:

Date	Opponent	Result
Oct. 17, 1998	Western Kentucky	L, 31-24
Oct. 10, 2003	TCU	L, 13-10
Nov. 22, 2003	UAB	L, 22-19
Oct. 2, 2004	Southern Miss	L, 27-20
Oct. 16, 2004	Army	L, 42-35
Nov. 27, 2004	Memphis	L, 31-15
Dec. 3, 2005	West Virginia	L, 28-13

• USF is 26-13 all-time following a loss and 23-8 following a loss since losing at Hofstra (50-30) on Oct. 24, 1998.

• USF is 45-9 when it scores first ... The first two losses were to Western Kentucky (31-3) in 1997 and 1998 (31-24) ... The Bulls took a 7-0 lead in the loss at Baylor (28-13) in 2000 when Marquel Blackwell connected with Scott McCready for a 29-yard catch and run ... USF took a 7-0 lead at Northern Illinois in the first week of the 2001 season before falling 20-17 on a field goal as time expired ... USF opened the 2003 season with a 7-0 lead at Alabama but lost 40-17 and led UAB 3-0, Nov. 22, 2003, but fell 22-19 ... Last year USF scored on its first possession against Pittsburgh before the dropping the decision to the Panthers.

• USF is 40-7 when leading after the first quarter, 48-5 when leading at the half, and 52-3 when leading after the third quarter ... Pittsburgh was the most recent team to come back and defeat the Bulls outscoring USF 31-7 from the second quarter on - on Oct. 15, 2005 - after USF led 10-0 following one quarter ... Army came back in the fourth quarter, on Oct. 16, 2004, rebounding from a 28-14 deficit to defeat the Bulls 42-35 ... Drake (23-22) on Sept. 20, 1997, and Northern Illinois (20-17) on Aug. 30, 2001 in the season opener are the only other two teams to do that against USF.

• USF is 15-26 when it trails after the first quarter, 16-32 when trailing at the half, and 6-34 when trailing after the third quarter ... The Bulls won two games in 2004 when trailing after three quarters - at TCU (45-44, 2ot) on Sept. 25 and at UAB (45-20) on Nov. 3 ... The remaining four wins when trailing after three quarters were at Connecticut (21-13) on Oct. 28, 2000, against Southern Miss (16-13) on Oct. 12, 2002, against Cincinnati (24-17, ot) on Oct. 31, 2003, and against Florida International (21-20) on Sept. 9, 2006 ... This season, the Bulls have trailed in all three games against McNeese State, Florida International, and UCF.

• USF is 46-9 when its offense outgains the opponent ... The Bulls are 43-6 when rushing for more yards (the losses were to Hofstra, Baylor, Oklahoma, UAB and Army) and 37-17 when passing for more yards.

USF VS. RANKED OPPONENTS

• Of USF's 12 opponents this season, three are either ranked or receiving votes in this week's Associated Press or ESPN/USA Today Top 25 polls ... In the AP Top 25, West Virginia is No. 4, while Louisville is No. 8 ... In the ESPN/USA Today poll, the Mountaineers are No. 4 with the Cardinals following at No. 9 ... Rutgers received 46 votes in the AP and 43 votes in the ESPN/USA Today poll.

• Since 2000 (USF moved into I-A in 2001), the Bulls have played nine ranked I-A teams and own a 2-7 record ... The Bulls pulled out a decisive 29-7 victory over No. 25 (ESPN/USA Today) Bowling Green on Oct. 10, 2003 when the Falcons were coached by Florida Gator head man Urban Meyer.

• Last season USF defeated its highest ranked I-A opponent with a dominating 45-14 win over No. 9 (Associated Press) Louisville on Sept. 24, 2005 in both schools' BIG EAST opener.

• Oklahoma remains the highest-ever ranked opponent USF has faced ... The Sooners were No. 2 in the AP Poll when they defeated USF 31-14 on Sept. 28, 2002 in Norman, Okla.

• USF met nine nationally ranked teams as a I-AA program between 1997-2000 and went 4-5, including a 20-10 win over No. 1 ranked Troy State, Sept. 30, 2000 in Tampa.

WHO'S UP & WHO'S DOWN

• Nine USF assistant coaches control the action on the field from the press box ... The offensive coaches in the press box include tight ends coach Greg Gregory and offensive coordinator Rod Smith ... Offensively on the field will be running backs coach Carl Franks, offensive line coach Greg Frey, and receivers coach Lawrence Dawsey ... on the defensive side of the ball in the press box are cornerbacks coach Rich Rachel and defensive graduate assistant Mike Simmonds ... On the field is safeties coach Troy Douglas, defensive line coach Bernard Clark, and defensive coordinator Wally Burnham.

LORDS OF THE RING

• When Lawrence Dawsey and Carl Franks joined the USF coaching staff in 2004, it doubled the number of coaches on the staff who have a national championship ring ... Co-defensive coordinator Wally Burnham and offensive line coach Greg Frey each picked up a ring in 1993 at Florida State, when Burnham was linebacker coach and Frey was an offensive lineman on the team ... In 1996, Franks was the assistant offensive coordinator and running backs coach at Florida when the Gators won the national title ... Dawsey, who was an All-American at Florida State prior to their 1993 National Championship, picked up a ring as a graduate assistant coach at LSU during the 2003 season.

• Defensive line coach Bernard Clark adds two national championship rings to the coaching staff ... The Tampa native was a standout performer in the defensive secondary at the University of Miami when the Hurricanes won the national title in 1987 and 1989 ... In addition, during that 1987 championship campaign, Clark was named Most Valuable Player of the Orange Bowl which the Hurricanes won en route to the title.

• Sophomore wide receiver Amp Hill earned a national championship ring with LSU in 2003 before transferring to USF ... With the addition of Clark and Hill, USF now has six national championship rings.

PACKIN' EM IN

• USF had a banner season in terms of attendance during the 2005 season ... The Bulls established record crowds in four games last year ... Following the 99,235 that saw USF play at Penn State on Sept. 3, the most people to ever see a USF game, the Bulls set a new Raymond James Stadium record with 43,122 against Florida A&M on Sept. 10 ... USF would turn right around and break

▶▶ 2006 USF KUDOS

DefenseName (Of Note ...)
 McNeese State
 FIUGeorge Selvie (9TT, 5TFL, 2 Sks)
Patrick St. Louis (4 TT, 1 PBR)
 UCF
 Kansas
 Rutgers
 Connecticut
 North Carolina
 Cincinnati
 Pittsburgh
 Syracuse
 Louisville
 West Virginia

Special TeamsName (Of Note ...)
 McNeese State
 FIUEan Randolph (1TD, 2 PR, 123 yds.)
 UCF
 Kansas
 Rutgers
 Connecticut
 North Carolina
 Cincinnati
 Pittsburgh
 Syracuse
 Louisville
 West Virginia

►USF AMONG THE BIG EAST LEADERS (IND.)

Category	Player, Rank (Avg)
Rushing . . . . .	.Matt Grothe, 4th (71.0)
Passing Efficiency . . . . .	.Matt Grothe, 2nd (157.1)
Passing Avg/Game . . . . .	.Matt Grothe, 3rd (215.7)
Total Offense . . . . .	.Matt Grothe, 1st (286.7)
Receptions/Game . . . . .	.Ean Randolph, T8th (3.3)
Receiving Yards/Game . . . . .	.Ean Randolph, 6th (53.0)
. . . . .	.Taurus Johnson, 7th (48.7)
Interceptions . . . . .	.Trae Williams, 1st (1.3)
Punting . . . . .	.Delbert Alvarado, 8th (34.8)
Punt Returns . . . . .	.Ean Randolph, 1st (27.1)
Kickoff Returns . . . . .	.None
Field Goals . . . . .	.Mike Benzer, T6th (33.3)
Scoring . . . . .	.None
Scoring (TD) . . . . .	.None
Scoring (Kicking) . . . . .	.Mike Benzer, 6th (4.7)
PAT Kicking . . . . .	.Mike Benzer, T1st (100.0)
All-Purpose Runners . . . . .	.Ean Randolph, 4th (130.7)
Tackles . . . . .	.Ben Moffitt, T19th (5.7)
. . . . .	.George Selvie, T23rd (5.0)
. . . . .	.Jeremy Burnett, 9th (6.7)
. . . . .	.Patrick St. Louis, T23rd (5.0)
. . . . .	.Trae Williams, T36th (4.3)

Sacks . . . . .	.George Selvie, T2nd (2.5)
Tackles For Loss . . . . .	.George Selvie, T2nd (1.8)
Forced Fumbles . . . . .	.Chris Robinson, 1st (0.67)
Fumbles Recovered . . . . .	.Richard Clebert, 2nd (0.67)
Passes Defended . . . . .	.Trae Williams, 1st (2.3)

►USF AMONG THE BIG EAST LEADERS (TEAM)

Category	Rank (Avg)
Scoring Offense . . . . .	.5th (28.7)
Scoring Defense . . . . .	.5th (15.7)
Pass Offense . . . . .	.4th (238.7)
Pass Defense . . . . .	.4th (179.3)
Kickoff Returns . . . . .	.5th (19.6)
Punting . . . . .	.8th (15.8)
Turnover Margin . . . . .	.8th (0.0)
Rushing Offense . . . . .	.5th (169.7)
Rushing Defense . . . . .	.3rd (82.0)
Total Offense . . . . .	.4th (408.3)
Total Defense . . . . .	.3rd (261.3)
Punt Returns . . . . .	.2rd (23.2)
Passing Efficiency . . . . .	.4th (151.8)
Passing Efficiency Defense . . . . .	.3rd (91.4)

that figure as 45,139 saw the Bulls take on UCF on Sept. 17 ...The Bulls would surpass that mark with 45,274 coming through the turnstiles in the regular season finale against West Virginia on Dec. 3.

• The Sept. 3, 2005 match up at Penn State set a new road attendance record for USF, surpassing the most people that the Bulls have ever played in front of, 78,900 at South Carolina on Sept. 18, 2004 ... USF has set a new road attendance mark in each of the last four seasons (78,900 at South Carolina, 76,780 at Alabama, Aug. 30, 2003, and 74,432 at Oklahoma, Sept. 28, 2002) ... The following is a breakdown (home, away, all-time) of USF's top attendance's entering tonight:

At Home

Attnd.	Opponent	Date	Location
49,212	Kentucky Wesleyan	Sept. 6, 1997	Tampa Stadium
45,274	No. 12/12 West Virginia	Dec. 3, 2005	Raymond James Stadium
45,139	UCF	Sept. 17, 2005	Raymond James Stadium
43,122	Florida A&M	Sept. 10, 2005	Raymond James Stadium
36,549	Army	Oct. 16, 2004	Raymond James Stadium
36,044	Louisville	Oct. 4, 2003	Raymond James Stadium
34,432	Southern Illinois	Oct. 18, 1997	Tampa Stadium
33,827	Drake	Sept. 20, 1997	Tampa Stadium
33,586	No. 9/8 Louisville	Sept. 24, 2005	Raymond James Stadium
33,368	TCU	Oct. 10, 2003	Raymond James Stadium
32,770	Memphis	Nov. 9, 2002	Raymond James Stadium
32,711	Houston	Nov. 3, 2001	Raymond James Stadium
32,598	The Citadel	Oct. 3, 1998	Raymond James Stadium
31,104	Western Kentucky	Nov. 4, 2000	Raymond James Stadium
30,470	Georgia Southern	Nov. 15, 1997	Tampa Stadium
30,216	UAB	Nov. 22, 2003	Raymond James Stadium

At Raymond James Stadium

Attnd.	Opponent	Date	Notes
45,274	No. 12/12 West Virginia	Dec. 3, 2005	Rescheduled due to Hurricane Francis
45,139	UCF	Sept. 17, 2005	First ever meeting with UCF
43,122	Florida A&M	Sept. 10, 2005	FAMU's first appearance in Tampa since 96
36,549	Army	Oct. 16, 2004	Homecoming
36,044	Louisville	Oct. 4, 2003	First-ever C-USA home game
33,586	No. 9/8 Louisville	Sept. 24, 2005	First-ever BIG EAST Conference game
33,368	TCU	Oct. 10, 2003	First-ever Friday night game
32,770	Memphis	Nov. 9, 2002	Homecoming
32,711	Houston	Nov. 3, 2001	Homecoming
32,598	The Citadel	Oct. 3, 1998	USF's first game at RJS
31,272	Cumberland (Tenn.)	Nov. 7, 1998	Homecoming
31,104	Western Kentucky	Nov. 4, 2000	Homecoming
30,216	UAB	Nov. 22, 2003	--
30,083	Western Kentucky	Oct. 17, 1998	--
30,049	Southern Miss	Oct. 2, 2004	--

On The Road

Attnd.	Opponent	Date	Location
99,235	at Penn State	Sept. 3, 2005	Beaver Stadium, State College, Pa
78,900	at South Carolina	Sept. 18, 2004	Williams-Brice Stadium, Columbia, S.C.
76,780	at Alabama	Aug. 30, 2003	Legion Field, Birmingham, Ala.
74,432	at Oklahoma	Sept. 28, 2002	Memorial Stadium, Norman, Okla.
63,821	at Kentucky	Sept. 9, 2000	Commonwealth Stadium, Lexington, Ky.
58,308	at Miami (Fla.)	Oct. 1, 2005	The Orange Bowl, Miami, Fla.
55,817	at Arkansas	Sept. 14, 2002	War Memorial Stadium, Little Rock, Ark.
47,875	at Memphis	Nov. 29, 2003	Liberty Bowl, Memphis, Tenn.
46,708	at UCF	Sept. 16, 2006	Florida Citrus Bowl, Orlando, Fla.
40,144	at Syracuse	Nov. 12, 2005	Carrier Dome, Syracuse, N.Y.
40,000	at Connecticut	Nov. 26, 2005	Rentschler Field, East Hartford, Conn.
39,542	at Pittsburgh	Sept. 8, 2001	Heinz Field, Pittsburgh, Pa.
33,497	at Pittsburgh	Oct. 15, 2005	Heinz Field, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Bowl Games

Attnd.	Opponent	Date	Bowl Game/Location
57,937	North Carolina State	Dec. 31, 2005	Meineke Car Care Bowl/ Bank of America Stadium, Charlotte, N.C.

BULLS IMPRESSIVE AT RAY JAY SINCE 2000

•The Bulls enter the 2006 season after coming off another stellar home record last year ... During the 2005 campaign USF recorded a 4-1 record at Raymond James Stadium ... The Bulls, undefeated at home for three consecutive seasons from 2000 through 2002, has compiled a 29-6 (.828) record at Raymond James Stadium since 2000 ... USF won 21 consecutive before falling to TCU, 13-10 on Oct. 10, 2003 ... During that 21-game stretch, USF held the nation's second longest home winning streak with only Miami (Fla.) winning 25 straight in the Orange Bowl being longer ... The following are the Bulls' results at Raymond James Stadium since the 2000 season:

Date	Opponent	W/L	Score
2000 - (6-0)			
Sept. 2	Jacksonville State	W	40-0
Sept. 16	James Madison	W	26-7
Sept. 30	Troy State	W	20-10
Oct. 21	Liberty	W	44-6
Nov. 4	Western Kentucky	W	30-24
Nov. 18	Austin Peay	W	59-0
2001 - (7-0)			
Sept. 29	North Texas	W	28-10
Oct. 13	Connecticut	W	40-21
Oct. 20	Southern Utah	W	42-12
Oct. 27	Liberty	W	68-37
Nov. 3	Houston	W	45-6
Nov. 10	Western Illinois	W	48-17
Nov. 24	Utah State	W	34-13
2002 - (6-0)			
Aug. 29	Florida Atlantic	W	51-10
Sept. 7	Northern Illinois	W	37 -6
Oct. 12	Southern Miss	W	16-13
Nov. 2	Charleston Southern	W	56-6
Nov. 9	Memphis	W	31-28
Nov. 16	Bowling Green	W	29-7
2003 - (4-2)			
Sept. 6	Nicholls State	W	27-17
Oct. 4	Louisville	W	31-28 (2 ot)
Oct. 10	TCU	L	10-13
Oct. 18	Charleston Southern	W	55-7
Oct. 31	Cincinnati	W	24-17 (2 ot)
Nov. 22	UAB	L	19-22
2004 - (2-3)			
Sept. 11	Tennessee Tech	W	21-7
Oct. 2	Southern Miss	L	27-20
Oct. 16	Army	L	42-35
Nov. 13	East Carolina	W	41-17
Nov. 27	Memphis	L	31-15
Dec. 4	Pittsburgh	L	43-14
2005 - (4-1)			
Sept. 10	Florida A&M	W	37-3
Sept. 17	UCF	W	31-14
Sept. 24	No. 9/8 Louisville	W	45-14
Nov. 19	Cincinnati	W	31-16
Dec. 3	No. 12/12 West Virginia	L	28-13
2006 - (2-0)			
Sept. 2	McNeese State	W	41-10
Sept. 9	Florida International	W	21-20

Composite Score - 1243-594
Average Score - 33.6-16.0

►►USF AMONG THE NCAA LEADERS (IND.)

Category	Player, Rank (Avg)
Total Offense	Matt Grothe, 11th (286.7)
Passing Efficiency	Matt Grothe, 20th (157.1)
Punt Returns	Ean Randolph, 3rd (27.1)
Passes Defended	Trae Williams, T2nd (2.0)
Interceptions	Trae Williams, 2nd (1.3)
All-Purpose Yards	Ean Randolph, 31st (130.7)
Points ResponsibleFor	Matt Grothe, T27th (14.0)

►►USF AMONG THE NCAA LEADERS (TEAM)

Category	Rank (Avg)
Rushing	.36th (169.7)
Passing Offense	.38th (238.7)
Total Offense	.27th (408.3)
Scoring Offense	.47st (28.7)
Rushing Defense	.26th (82.0)
Pass Defense	.47th (179.3)
Passing Efficiency Defense	.14th (91.4)
Total Defense	.27th (261.3)
Scoring Defense	.36th (15.7)
Net Punting	.119th (15.8)
Punt Returns	.5th (23.2)
Kickoff Returns	.69th (19.6)
Turnover Margin	.T54th (0.0)
Passing Efficiency	.25th (151.8)
Sacks	.34th (2.3)
Tackles For Loss	.45th (6.3)
Sacks Allowed	.53rd (1.7)

►►USF ANNOUNCES 2007 NON-LEAGUE OPPONENTS

USF will start the 2007 football season with five successive non-conference games, including home dates with North Carolina and UCF ... The complete 2007 non-conference schedule is as follows ... Auburn will be the only non-conference team that USF will not have faced:

Date	Opponent
Sept. 1	Elon
Sept. 8	UCF
Sept. 15	at Auburn
Sept. 22	North Carolina
Sept. 29	at Florida Atlantic

►►USF ON XM

For the first time the USF football team will have its games broadcasted on XM Satellite Radio ... The following is the Bulls' schedule on satellite:

Date	Opponent
Sept. 2	McNeese State
Sept. 23	at Kansas
Sept. 29	Rutgers
Nov. 4	Pitt
Nov. 18	at Louisville
Nov. 25	at West Virginia

► 2006 USF OPPONENTS SCHEDULES & RESULTS

MCNEESE STATE (1-1)

Date	Opponent	Result
Sept. 2	at USF	L, 41-10
Sept. 9	West Virginia Tech	W, 76-0
Sept. 23	at Toledo	
Sept. 30	South Dakota State	
Oct. 7	Southern Utah	
Oct. 14	Texas State*	
Oct. 21	Stephen F. Austin*	
Oct. 28	at Sam Houston State*	
Nov. 4	Southeastern Louisiana*	
Nov. 11	at Northwestern State*	
Nov. 18	Nicholls State*	

* Southland Conference game

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL (0-3)

Date	Opponent	Result
Aug. 31	at Middle Tennessee*	L, 7-6
Sept. 9	at USF	L, 21-20
Sept. 16	Bowling Green	L, 33-28
Sept. 23	at Maryland	
Sept. 30	Arkansas State*	
Oct. 7	North Texas*	
Oct. 14	at Miami (Fla.)	
Oct. 28	at Alabama	
Nov. 4	Louisiana-Monroe*	
Nov. 18	Louisiana-Lafayette*	
Nov. 25	Florida Atlantic*	
Dec. 2	Troy*	

* Sun Belt Conference game

UCF (1-2)

Date	Opponent	Result
Sept. 2	Villanova	W, 35-16
Sept. 9	at Florida	L, 42-0
Sept. 16	USF	L, 24-17
Sept. 26	Southern Miss*	
Oct. 4	at Marshall*	
Oct. 13	Pittsburgh	
Oct. 21	Rice*	
Oct. 28	at Houston*	
Nov. 4	East Carolina*	
Nov. 11	at Memphis*	
Nov. 18	at Tulane*	
Nov. 25	UAB*	

* Conference USA game

KANSAS (2-1)

Date	Opponent	Result
Sept. 2	Northwestern State	W, 49-18
Sept. 9	Louisiana-Monroe	W, 21-19
Sept. 16	at Toledo	L, 37-31 (ot)
Sept. 23	USF	
Sept. 30	at Nebraska*	
Oct. 7	Texas A&M*	
Oct. 14	Oklahoma State*	
Oct. 21	at Baylor*	
Oct. 28	Colorado*	
Nov. 4	at Iowa State*	
Nov. 18	Kansas State*	
Nov. 25	at Missouri*	
Dec. 2	Big 12 Championship	

* Big 12 Conference game

RUTGERS (3-0, 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Result
Sept. 2	at North Carolina	W, 21-16
Sept. 9	Illinois	W, 33-0
Sept. 16	Ohio	W, 24-7
Sept. 23	Howard	
Sept. 29	at USF*	
Oct. 14	at Navy	
Oct. 21	at Pittsburgh*	
Oct. 29	Connecticut*	
Nov. 9	Louisville*	
Nov. 18	at Cincinnati*	
Nov. 25	Syracuse*	
Dec. 2	at West Virginia*	

* BIG EAST Conference game

CONNECTICUT (1-1, 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Result
Aug. 31	Rhode Island	W, 52-7
Sept. 16	Wake Forest	W, 24-13
Sept. 23	at Indiana	
Sept. 30	Navy	
Oct. 7	at USF*	
Oct. 14	Army	
Oct. 20	West Virginia*	
Oct. 28	at Rutgers*	
Nov. 11	Pittsburgh*	
Nov. 18	at Syracuse*	
Nov. 25	Cincinnati*	
Dec. 2	at Louisville*	

* BIG EAST Conference game

NORTH CAROLINA (1-2)

Date	Opponent	Result
Sept. 2	Rutgers	L, 21-16
Sept. 9	Virginia Tech*	L, 35-10
Sept. 16	Furman	W, 45-42
Sept. 23	at Clemson*	
Oct. 7	at Miami (Fla.)	
Oct. 14	USF	
Oct. 19	at Virginia*	
Oct. 28	Wake Forest*	
Nov. 4	at Notre Dame	
Nov. 11	Georgia Tech*	
Nov. 18	N.C. State*	
Nov. 25	at Duke	

* Atlantic Coast Conference game

CINCINNATI (1-2, 0-1)

Date	Opponent	Result
Sept. 2	Eastern Kentucky	W, 31-0
Sept. 8	Pittsburgh*	L, 33-15
Sept. 16	at Ohio State	L, 37-7
Sept. 23	at Virginia Tech	
Sept. 30	Miami (Ohio)	
Oct. 7	Akron	
Oct. 14	at Louisville*	
Oct. 22	USF*	
Oct. 28	Syracuse*	
Nov. 11	at West Virginia*	
Nov. 18	Rutgers*	
Nov. 25	at Connecticut*	

* BIG EAST Conference game

PITTSBURGH (2-1, 1-0)

Date	Opponent	Result
Sept. 2	Virginia	W, 38-13
Sept. 8	at Cincinnati*	W, 33-15
Sept. 16	Michigan State	W, 38-23
Sept. 23	The Citadel	
Sept. 30	Toledo	
Oct. 7	at Syracuse*	
Oct. 13	at UCF	
Oct. 21	Rutgers*	
Nov. 4	at USF*	
Nov. 11	at UConn*	
Nov. 16	West Virginia*	
Nov. 25	Louisville*	

* BIG EAST Conference game

SYRACUSE (1-2, 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Result
Sept. 2	at Wake Forest	L, 20-10
Sept. 9	Iowa	L, 20-13 (ot)
Sept. 16	at Illinois	W, 31-21
Sept. 23	Miami (Ohio)	
Sept. 30	Wyoming	
Oct. 7	Pittsburgh*	
Oct. 14	at West Virginia*	
Oct. 21	Louisville*	
Oct. 28	at Cincinnati*	
Nov. 11	at USF*	
Nov. 18	UConn*	
Nov. 25	at Rutgers*	

* BIG EAST Conference game

LOUISVILLE (3-0, 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Result
Sept. 2	Kentucky	W, 59-28
Sept. 9	at Temple	W, 62-0
Sept. 16	Miami (Fla.)	W, 31-7
Sept. 23	at Kansas State	
Oct. 6	vs. Middle Tennessee St.	
Oct. 14	Cincinnati*	
Oct. 21	at Syracuse*	
Nov. 2	West Virginia*	
Nov. 9	at Rutgers*	
Nov. 18	USF*	
Nov. 25	at Pittsburgh*	
Dec. 2	Connecticut*	

* BIG EAST Conference game

WEST VIRGINIA (3-0, 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Result
Sept. 2	Marshall	W, 42-10
Sept. 9	Eastern Washington	W, 52-3
Sept. 14	Maryland	W, 45-24
Sept. 23	at East Carolina	
Oct. 7	at Mississippi State	
Oct. 14	Syracuse*	
Oct. 20	at UConn*	
Nov. 2	at Louisville*	
Nov. 11	Cincinnati*	
Nov. 16	at Pittsburgh*	
Nov. 25	USF*	
Dec. 2	Rutgers*	

* BIG EAST Conference game

►► **USF DEPTH CHART VS. KANSAS**

BULLS OFFENSE

P	No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.
X	11	Marcus Edwards	So.	5-11	175
	6	Amp Hill	So.	6-3	205
LT	55	Thed Watson	Sr.	6-5	295
	71	Matt Huners	So.	6-3	290
LG	71	Matt Huners	So.	6-3	290
	65	Ryan Schmidt	So.	6-5	305
OC	69	Nick Capogna	Jr.	6-3	275
	65	Ryan Schmidt	So.	6-5	305
RG	75	Walter Walker	Jr.	6-5	305
	73	Danny Tolley	Fr.	6-6	310
RT	78	Marc Dile	So.	6-4	310
	70	Jared Carnes	Jr.	6-7	310
TE	84	Will Bleakley	Sr.	6-3	240
	44	Devin Gordon	Sr.	6-3	240
Y	80	Ean Randolph	Sr.	5-9	175
	89	Taurus Johnson	So.	6-1	190
Z	81	S.J. Green	Sr.	6-3	220
	18	Amarri Jackson	Jr.	6-5	195
QB	8	Matt Grothe	Fr.	6-0	200
	3	Pat Julmiste	Sr.	6-3	220
RB	30	Benjamin Williams	So.	5-7	190
	25	Walt Smith	Sr.	5-10	175

BULLS DEFENSE

P	No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.
LE	90	Jarriett Buie	Jr.	6-3	240
	52	Treco Bellamy	Jr.	6-3	240
NT	94	Allen Cray	Jr.	6-0	295
	99	Julian Riley	Jr.	6-3	290
DT	76	Richard Clebert	Jr.	6-1	295
	96	Woody George	Jr.	6-3	265
RE	95	George Selvie	Fr.	6-4	255
	49	Chris Robinson	Fr.	6-3	240
SAM	51	Stephen Nicholas	Sr.	6-3	225
	40	Houston Hess	Fr.	6-3	220
MIKE	59	Ben Moffitt	Jr.	6-2	240
	53	Brouce Mompremier	So.	6-1	225
WILL	54	Pat St. Louis	Sr.	6-1	230
	56	Sam Miller	Jr.	5-11	200
LC	21	Trae Williams	Jr.	5-10	185
	34	Jerome Murphy	Fr.	6-1	185
RC	4	Mike Jenkins	Jr.	6-0	200
	22	Ryan Gilliam	Jr.	5-10	175
SS	33	Jerremy Burnett	Sr.	6-1	190
	7	Louis Gachette	So.	6-3	205
FS	17	Danny Verpaele	So.	5-11	200
	5	Nate Allen	Fr.	6-2	190
NB	32	Carlton Williams	So.	6-4	205
	26	Tyler Roberts	So.	6-1	190

BULLS SPECIALISTS

P	No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.
PK	28	Mike Benzer	Fr.	5-8	185
	27	Justin Teachey	So.	5-11	170
KO	27	Justin Teachey	So.	5-11	170
	28	Mike Benzer	Fr.	5-8	185
P	24	Delbert Alvarado	Fr.	6-0	175
	36	Ilia Petrov	Fr.	5-11	190

P	No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.
LS	66	Ryan Bourdeau	Sr.	6-2	250
	58	Darryl Dudding	So.	6-2	250
KR	80	Ean Randolph	Sr.	5-9	175
	89	Taurus Johnson	So.	6-1	190
PR	80	Ean Randolph	Sr.	5-9	175
	18	Amarri Jackson	Jr.	6-5	195
H	12	Anthony Severino	Jr.	6-2	185
	15	Grant Gregory	So.	6-1	205

►► **2006 OFFENSIVE STARTERS**

Opponent	WR	WR	TE	LT	LG	OC	RG	RT	WR	QB	RB
McNeese State	Edwards	Randolph	Bleakley	Carnes	Griffin	Capogna	Walker	Dile	Green	Julmiste	Plancher
FIU	Edwards	Randolph	C. Hill	Carnes	Griffin	Capogna	Walker	Tolley	Green	Grothe	B. Williams
at UCF	Edwards	Randolph	Bleakley	Huners	Griffin	Capogna	Walker	Dile	Green	Grothe	B. Williams
at Kansas											
Rutgers											
Connecticut											
at N. Carolina											
at Cincinnati											
Pittsburgh											
Syracuse											
at Louisville											
at W. Virginia											

►► **2006 DEFENSIVE STARTERS**

Opponent	LE	DT	NT	RE	SLB	MLB	WLB	CB	CB	FS	SS
McNeese State	Bellamy	George	Cray	Selvie	Nicholas	Moffitt	St. Louis	Williams	Jenkins	Verpaele	Burnett
FIU	George	Clebert	Cray	Selvie	Nicholas	Moffitt	St. Louis	Williams	Jenkins	Verpaele	Burnett
at UCF	George	Clebert	Cray	Selvie	Nicholas	Moffitt	St. Louis	Williams	Jenkins	Verpaele	Burnett
at Kansas											
Rutgers											
Connecticut											
at N. Carolina											
at Cincinnati											
Pittsburgh											
Syracuse											
at Louisville											
at W. Virginia											

►► 2006 USF NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown/High School (College)
1	Moise Plancher	RB	5-9	190	Fr.	Naples, Fla./Barron Collier
2	Jackie Chambers	WR	5-11	185	Jr.	Miami, Fla./Edison
2	Dylan Douglas	DB	5-10	175	Fr.	Jacksonville, Fla./Jackson
3	Pat Julmiste	QB	6-3	220	Sr.	Miramar, Fla./Miramar
3	Jerome Murphy	DB	6-1	185	Fr.	Elizabeth, N.J./Elizabeth
4	Mike Jenkins	DB	6-0	200	Jr.	Bradenton, Fla./Southeast
5	Nate Allen	DB	6-2	190	Fr.	Cape Coral, Fla./Cape Coral
5	Ricky Ponton	RB	5-10	205	So.	Tampa, Fla./Hillsborough
6	Amp Hill	WR	6-3	205	So.	Jacksonville, Fla./First Coast (LSU)
7	Louis Gachette	DB	6-3	205	So.	Immokalee, Fla./Immokalee
8	Courtney Denson	DB	5-11	190	Jr.	Miami, Fla./Central (Auburn)
8	Matt Grothe	QB	6-0	200	Fr.	Lakeland, Fla./Lake Gibson
9	Cedric Hill	TE	6-3	240	So.	Valdosta, Ga./Valdosta
10	Keeley Dorsey	RB	5-11	210	Fr.	Tallahassee, Fla./Lincoln
10	A.J. Love	WR	6-2	185	Fr.	Bradenton, Fla./Southeast
11	Marcus Edwards	WR	5-11	175	So.	Mayo, Fla./Lafayette
12	Antonio Cox	DB	6-0	170	Fr.	Miami, Fla./Killian
12	Anthony Severino	QB	6-2	185	Jr.	Tampa, Fla./Jesusuit
14	David Cozzo	WR	5-10	170	Fr.	Miami, Fla./Palmetto
15	Grant Gregory	QB	6-1	205	So.	Athens, Ohio/Athens (Indiana)
16	Edner Alcin	WR	6-2	180	Fr.	Tampa, Fla./Chamberlain
17	Danny Verpaele	DB	5-11	200	So.	Merritt Island, Fla./Merritt Island
18	Amarri Jackson	WR	6-5	195	Jr.	Sarasota, Fla./Sarasota Riverview
19	Antwane Cox	DB	6-0	170	Fr.	Miami, Fla./Killian
19	Antwon Hanks	WR	6-3	210	Fr.	Lake Weir, Fla./Lake Weir
20	Aston Samuels	RB	5-10	190	Fr.	Belle Glade, Fla./Glades Central
21	Trae Williams	DB	5-10	185	Jr.	Plant City, Fla./Durant
22	Ryan Gilliam	DB	5-10	175	Jr.	Tallahassee, Fla./Lincoln (Oregon)
23	Jamaal Jenkins	DB	5-11	190	So.	Belle Glade, Fla./Glades Central
23	Jason Sherman	WR	6-4	200	Fr.	Jacksonville, Fla./First Coast
24	Delbert Alvarado	P	6-0	175	Fr.	Tampa, Fla./Robinson
25	Walt Smith	RB	5-10	175	Sr.	Bartow, Fla./Bartow
26	Tyller Roberts	DB	6-1	190	So.	Orlando, Fla./Edgewater
27	Justin Teachey	PK	5-11	170	So.	Palmetto, Fla./Palmetto
28	Mike Benzer	PK	5-8	185	So.	Altamonte Springs, Fla./Lyman
29	Colby Erskin	RB	5-9	185	Fr.	Seminole, Fla./Seminole
30	Benjamin Williams	RB	5-7	190	So.	Lake Wales, Fla./Lake Wales
31	William Criswell	PK	5-9	160	So.	St. Petersburg, Fla./St. Petersburg
32	Carlton Williams	DB	6-4	205	So.	Valdosta, Ga./Valdosta
33	Jeremy Burnett	DB	6-1	190	Sr.	Tampa, Fla./Jefferson (Purdue)
35	LeBrandon Glover	LB	6-1	215	Fr.	Pensacola, Fla./Pensacola
36	Ilia Petrov	P	5-11	190	Fr.	Tampa, Fla./Tampa Bay Tech
37	Christopher Ellick	DB	5-10	190	So.	Tampa, Fla./Wharton
38	Mike Padilla	FB	6-0	230	So.	Cape Coral, Fla./Cape Coral
39	Shawn Cannon	RB	5-11	180	Jr.	Pensacola, Fla./Tate
40	Houston Hess	LB	6-3	215	Fr.	Oswego, Ill./Oswego
41	Nick Schuyler	DT	6-3	265	Jr.	Chardon, Ohio/Chardon
42	Marvin Peoples	LB	6-2	230	Fr.	Apopka, Fla./Apopka (Maryland)
43	Sabbath Joseph	LB	6-0	215	Fr.	Miami, Fla./Central
44	Devin Gordon	TE	6-3	240	Sr.	Hawthorne, Fla./Hawthorne
45	Frank D'Amico	DT	6-2	255	Fr.	Plant City, Fla./Durant
46	Tavarious Robinson	DT	6-4	290	Sr.	Goulds, Fla./Homestead

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown/High School (College)
47	Brandon Peguese	LB	6-1	220	Fr.	Greensboro, N.C./Grimsley
48	Joshua Smiley	LB	6-3	220	Fr.	Milton, Fla./Milton
49	Chris Robinson	LB	6-3	230	Fr.	Bunnell, Fla./Flagler Palm Coast
50	Bradley Chancey	LB	6-0	210	Fr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Boca Ciega
51	Stephen Nicholas	LB	6-3	225	Sr.	Jacksonville, Fla./Lee
52	Treco Bellamy	DE	6-3	240	Jr.	Monticello, Fla./Jefferson County
53	Brouce Mompremier	LB	6-1	225	So.	Miami, Fla./Edison
54	Patrick St. Louis	LB	6-1	230	Sr.	Miami, Fla./Washington
55	Quincy Okolie	DE	6-6	220	Fr.	West Palm Beach, Fla./Palm Beach Central
55	Thed Watson	OT	6-5	295	Sr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Lakewood
56	Sam Miller	LB	5-11	200	Jr.	Bushnell, Fla./South Sumter
57	Alonzo McQueen	LB	6-1	220	Fr.	Jacksonville, Fla./Lee
58	Matt Aycox	DE	6-1	220	Fr.	Gainesville, Fla./Gainesville
58	Darryll Dudding	LS	6-2	250	So.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Indian Rocks Christian
59	Ben Moffitt	LB	6-2	240	Jr.	Bushnell, Fla./South Sumter
60	Luke Birge	LS	6-2	230	Fr.	Sebring, Fla./Sebring
61	Zach Hermann	OG	6-3	315	Fr.	Oldsmar, Fla./East Lake
62	Jason Fox	OC	6-0	255	Fr.	Valrico, Fla./Durant
63	Larry Lindsey	OG	6-3	300	Jr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Boca Ciega
64	Jacob Sims	OT	6-5	245	Fr.	Winter Park, Fla./Winter Park
65	Ryan Schmidt	OC	6-5	305	So.	Boca Raton, Fla./Boca Raton (Kansas State)
66	Ryan Bourdeau	LS	6-0	250	Sr.	Seminole, Fla./Seminole
67	Eric Setser	LS	6-1	240	So.	Richwood, Ohio/North Union
68	Jeffrey Ide	OT	6-6	260	Fr.	Bradenton, Fla./Southeast
69	Nick Capogna	OC	6-3	275	Jr.	Clearwater, Fla./Clearwater Catholic
70	Jared Carnes	OT	6-7	310	Jr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./St. Petersburg Catholic
71	Matt Huners	OG	6-3	290	So.	Palm Harbor, Fla./Palm Harbor University
72	Joe Herzhauser	OT	6-4	250	Fr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Lakewood
73	Danny Tolley	OG	6-6	310	Fr.	Wesley Chapel, Fla./Wesley Chapel
75	Walter Walker	OG	6-5	305	Jr.	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla./South Plantation
76	Richard Clebert	NT	6-1	295	Jr.	Miami, Fla./Edison
77	Jake Griffin	OC	6-4	290	So.	Seffner, Fla./Armwood
78	Marc Dile	OT	6-4	305	So.	Miami, Fla./Edison
79	Morgan Mathis	OG	6-4	295	Fr.	Windermere, Fla./Olympia
80	Ean Randolph	WR	5-9	175	Sr.	Plant City, Fla./Durant
81	S.J. Green	WR	6-3	220	Sr.	Brandon, Fla./Brandon
82	Ben Busbee	TE	6-3	240	Fr.	Mobile, Ala./McGill-Toolen
83	Carlton Mitchell	WR	6-4	190	Fr.	Lutz, Fla./Gaither
84	Will Bleakley	TE	6-3	240	Sr.	Crystal River, Fla./Crystal River
85	Andrew Ketchel	TE	6-5	225	Fr.	Shalimar, Fla./Choctowhatchee
87	Jessie Hester, Jr.	WR	6-0	170	So.	Belle Glade, Fla./Glades Central
89	Taurus Johnson	WR	6-1	190	So.	Cape Coral, Fla./Cape Coral
90	Jarriett Buie	DE	6-4	240	Jr.	Tampa, Fla./Armwood
91	Josh Julmiste	DE	6-6	265	So.	Miramar, Fla./Miramar
92	Bryan Hall	NT	6-2	280	So.	Dade City, Fla./Pasco
93	Siaosi Uhatafe	NT	6-2	260	Jr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Gibbs
94	Allen Cray	DT	6-0	295	Jr.	Lake City, Fla./Columbia
95	George Selvie	DE	6-4	255	Fr.	Pensacola, Fla./Pine Forest
96	Woody George	DT	6-3	265	Jr.	Belle Glade, Fla./Glades Central
97	Shane McElwain	DE	6-4	240	Fr.	Palm Beach, Fla./Central
98	Aaron Harris	DE	6-3	240	Fr.	Williston, Fla./Williston
99	Julian Riley	NT	6-3	290	Jr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Lakewood (Florida)

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16	Edner Alcin	WR	6-2	180	Fr.	Tampa, Fla./Chamberlain
5	Nate Allen	DB	6-2	190	Fr.	Cape Coral, Fla./Cape Coral
24	Delbert Alvarado	P	6-0	175	Fr.	Tampa, Fla./Robinson
58	Matt Aycox	DE	6-1	220	Fr.	Gainesville, Fla./Gainesville
52	Treco Bellamy	DE	6-3	240	Jr.	Monticello, Fla./Jefferson County
28	Mike Benzer	PK	5-8	185	So.	Altamonte Springs, Fla./Lyman
60	Luke Birge	LS	6-2	230	Fr.	Sebring, Fla./Sebring
84	Will Bleakley	TE	6-3	240	Sr.	Crystal River, Fla./Crystal River
66	Ryan Bordeau	LS	6-0	250	Sr.	Seminole, Fla./Seminole
90	Jarriett Buie	DE	6-4	240	Jr.	Tampa, Fla./Armwood
33	Jeremy Burnett	DB	6-1	190	Sr.	Tampa, Fla./Jefferson (Purdue)
82	Ben Busbee	TE	6-3	240	Fr.	Mobile, Ala./McGill-Toolen
39	Shawn Cannon	RB	5-11	180	Jr.	Pensacola, Fla./Tate
69	Nick Capogna	OC	6-3	275	Jr.	Clearwater, Fla./Clearwater Catholic
70	Jared Carnes	OT	6-7	310	Jr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./St. Petersburg Catholic
2	Jackie Chambers	WR	5-11	185	Jr.	Miami, Fla./Edison
50	Bradley Chancey	LB	6-0	210	Fr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Boca Ciega
76	Richard Clebert	NT	6-1	295	Jr.	Miami, Fla./Edison
12	Antonio Cox	DB	6-0	170	Fr.	Miami, Fla./Killian
19	Antwane Cox	DB	6-0	170	Fr.	Miami, Fla./Killian
14	David Cozzo	WR	5-10	170	Jr.	Miami, Fla./Palmetto
94	Allen Cray	DT	6-0	295	Jr.	Lake City, Fla./Columbia
31	William Criswell	PK	5-9	160	So.	St. Petersburg, Fla./St. Petersburg
45	Frank D'Amico	DT	6-2	255	Fr.	Plant City, Fla./Durant
8	Courtney Denson	DB	5-11	190	Jr.	Miami, Fla./Central (Auburn)
78	Marc Dile	OT	6-4	305	So.	Miami, Fla./Edison
10	Keeley Dorsey	RB	5-11	210	Fr.	Tallahassee, Fla./Lincoln
2	Dylan Douglas	DB	5-10	175	Fr.	Jacksonville, Fla./Jackson
58	Darryl Dudding	LS	6-2	250	So.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Indian Rocks Christian
11	Marcus Edwards	WR	5-11	175	So.	Mayo, Fla./Lafayette
37	Christopher Ellick	DB	5-10	190	So.	Tampa, Fla./Wharton
29	Colby Erskin	RB	5-9	185	Fr.	Seminole, Fla./Seminole
62	Jason Fox	OC	6-0	255	Fr.	Valrico, Fla./Durant
7	Louis Gachette	DB	6-3	205	So.	Immokalee, Fla./Immokalee
96	Woody George	DT	6-3	265	Jr.	Belle Glade, Fla./Glades Central
22	Ryan Gilliam	DB	5-10	175	Jr.	Tallahassee, Fla./Lincoln (Oregon)
35	LeBrandon Glover	LB	6-1	215	Fr.	Pensacola, Fla./Pensacola
44	Devin Gordon	TE	6-3	240	Sr.	Hawthorne, Fla./Hawthorne
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15	Grant Gregory	QB	6-1	205	So.	Athens, Ohio/Athens (Indiana)
77	Jake Griffin	OC	6-4	290	So.	Seffner, Fla./Armwood
8	Matt Grothe	QB	6-0	200	Fr.	Lakeland, Fla./Lake Gibson
92	Bryan Hall	NT	6-2	280	So.	Dade City, Fla./Pasco
19	Antwon Hanks	WR	6-3	210	Fr.	Lake Weir, Fla./Lake Weir
98	Aaron Harris	DE	6-3	240	Fr.	Williston, Fla./Williston
61	Zach Hermann	OG	6-3	315	Fr.	Oldsmar, Fla./East Lake
72	Joe Herzhauser	OT	6-4	250	Fr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Lakewood
40	Houston Hess	LB	6-3	215	Fr.	Oswego, Ill./Oswego
87	Jessie Hester, Jr.	WR	6-0	170	So.	Belle Glade, Fla./Glades Central
6	Amp Hill	WR	6-3	205	So.	Jacksonville, Fla./First Coast (LSU)
9	Cedric Hill	TE	6-3	240	So.	Valdosta, Ga./Valdosta
71	Matt Huners	OG	6-3	290	So.	Palm Harbor, Fla./Palm Harbor University

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4	Mike Jenkins	DB	6-0	200	Jr.	Bradenton, Fla./Southeast
89	Taurus Johnson	WR	6-1	190	So.	Cape Coral, Fla./Cape Coral
43	Sabbath Joseph	LB	6-0	215	Fr.	Miami, Fla./Central
91	Josh Julmiste	DE	6-6	265	So.	Miramar, Fla./Miramar
3	Pat Julmiste	QB	6-3	220	Sr.	Miramar, Fla./Miramar
85	Andrew Ketchel	TE	6-5	225	Fr.	Shalimar, Fla./Choctowhatchee
10	A.J. Love	WR	6-2	185	Fr.	Bradenton, Fla./Southeast
63	Larry Lindsey	OG	6-3	300	Jr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Boca Ciega
79	Morgan Mathis	OG	6-4	295	Fr.	Windermere, Fla./Olympia
97	Shane McElwain	DE	6-4	240	Fr.	Palm Beach, Fla./Central
57	Alonzo McQueen	LB	6-1	220	Fr.	Jacksonville, Fla./Lee
56	Sam Miller	LB	5-11	200	Jr.	Bushnell, Fla./South Sumter
83	Carlton Mitchell	WR	6-4	190	Fr.	Lutz, Fla./Gaither
59	Ben Moffitt	LB	6-2	240	Jr.	Bushnell, Fla./South Sumter
53	Brouce Mompremier	LB	6-1	225	So.	Miami, Fla./Edison
3	Jerome Murphy	DB	6-1	185	Fr.	Elizabeth, N.J./Elizabeth
51	Stephen Nicholas	LB	6-3	225	Sr.	Jacksonville, Fla./Lee
55	Quincy Okolie	DE	6-6	220	Fr.	West Palm Beach, Fla./Palm Beach Central
38	Mike Padilla	FB	6-0	230	So.	Cape Coral, Fla./Cape Coral
47	Brandon Peguese	LB	6-1	220	Fr.	Greensboro, N.C./Grimsley
42	Marvin Peoples	LB	6-2	230	Fr.	Apopka, Fla./Apopka (Maryland)
36	Ilia Petrov	P	5-11	190	Fr.	Tampa, Fla./Tampa Bay Tech
1	Moise Plancher	RB	5-9	190	Fr.	Naples, Fla./Barron Collier
5	Ricky Ponton	RB	5-10	205	So.	Tampa, Fla./Hillsborough
80	Ean Randolph	WR	5-9	175	Sr.	Plant City, Fla./Durant
99	Julian Riley	NT	6-3	290	Jr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Lakewood (Florida)
26	Tyller Roberts	DB	6-1	190	So.	Orlando, Fla./Edgewater
49	Chris Robinson	LB	6-3	230	Fr.	Bunnell, Fla./Flagler Palm Coast
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20	Aston Samuels	RB	5-10	190	Fr.	Belle Glade, Fla./Glades Central
65	Ryan Schmidt	OC	6-5	305	So.	Boca Raton, Fla./Boca Raton (Kansas State)
41	Nick Schuyler	DT	6-3	265	Jr.	Chardon, Ohio/Chardon
95	George Selvie	DE	6-4	255	Fr.	Pensacola, Fla./Pine Forest
67	Eric Setser	LS	6-1	240	So.	Richwood, Ohio/North Union
12	Anthony Severino	QB	6-2	185	Jr.	Tampa, Fla./Jesuit
23	Jason Sherman	WR	6-4	200	Fr.	Jacksonville, Fla./First Coast
64	Jacob Sims	OT	6-5	245	Fr.	Winter Park, Fla./Winter Park
48	Joshua Smiley	LB	6-3	220	Fr.	Milton, Fla./Milton
25	Walt Smith	RB	5-10	175	Sr.	Bartow, Fla./Bartow
54	Patrick St. Louis	LB	6-1	230	Sr.	Miami, Fla./Washington
27	Justin Teachey	PK	5-11	170	So.	Palmetto, Fla./Palmetto
73	Danny Tolley	OG	6-6	310	Fr.	Wesley Chapel, Fla./Wesley Chapel
93	Siaosi Uhatafe	NT	6-2	260	Jr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Gibbs
17	Danny Verpaele	DB	5-11	200	So.	Merritt Island, Fla./Merritt Island
75	Walter Walker	OG	6-5	305	Jr.	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla./South Plantation
55	Thed Watson	OT	6-5	295	Sr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Lakewood
30	Benjamin Williams	RB	5-7	190	So.	Lake Wales, Fla./Lake Wales
32	Carlton Williams	DB	6-4	205	So.	Valdosta, Ga./Valdosta
21	Trae Williams	DB	5-10	185	Jr.	Plant City, Fla./Durant

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TAMPA MARRIOTT WATERSIDE, TAMPA, FLA.
JULY 30, 2006**

Opening comments ... "It's great to be here. This is always a fun event for me. I can remember when I was first hired 10 years ago, I was 39 years old, and years go by pretty fast. I can remember the first time I came to this, I was just so excited to be a head coach - I had never been a head coach - and a head coach in the state where I grew up. To come to this was real exciting, and it still is. I really enjoy this and I think it's great. To me, it is just one of the things you do when you get close to the season starting. Our guys come in a week from today (Aug. 7) and this is always one of the last things you do before the guys come in."

On this season ... "I'm excited about this year. I'm excited about another year in the BIG EAST. We're very fortunate to be in this conference. I don't know how good our team will be, we'll find out. We have some decent players but until we get them going we'll just have to wait and see. That's the great thing about college football."

On what Moise Plancher has done this year to make an impression on the staff ... "Well he's hung onto the ball more than all the other guys. He has good balance, he runs pretty good, he's a great guy, plays hard. We're going to have about three or four guys and none of them have played college football, that's pretty interesting - and exciting. I think it's kind of neat to see who is going to step up. But that's the reason he's up there right now."

On USF's quarterback situation this year ... "I new Pat (Julmiste) was always there. That's has never been out of my mind, really. We've had a lot of people try to beat Pat out - Courtney Denson and Carlton Hill, and those different guys. But it's nice having a quarterback back who has started for you and been the starting quarterback when you've a number of games. People will say all they want. We had a guy, Marquel Blackwell, who was 29-2 as a starter at home. That's kind of a good record for a starting quarterback, so everybody is always comparing him to that. We're playing a strong schedule, a little bit different than when Pat played here. Pat has been done awfully well, he's been inconsistent, but there is a lot more than just Pat. Receivers need to catch the ball, we've got to get a run game going, all those things. With all that being said, he still has been the guy. He has started in some big, big wins for us, and I'd rather have somebody back like that that somebody not like we're looking at running back. So I'm excited about Pat. It's his senior year, I know he's been working hard, he's really focused, and he has had a very good summer. So I'm excited about him, he knows our offense."

On the possibilities of playing UCF after this season ... "Well, it seems like an awfully good game. It's kind of fun to have people that want to play you. We've played FAU, we're playing FIU, we've played Miami, we've played Central Florida, Florida A&M. We've played a lot of teams in this state and I don't want to take anything away from those games. To be honest with you, I used to get really, really involved in scheduling during the first six or seven years, but (USF Director of Athletics) Doug Woolard handles all of that now. And I'm not trying to pass that off, but the truth of the matter is, that is going to be between Doug and Keith (Keith Tribble, UCF's Director of Athletics). It's just that those people have to make a decision. They have done an awfully good job at UCF. They struggled a year ago and then took off after our game. They had the Conference USA championship in there hands, playing an awfully good

team in Tulsa, a great game. Central Florida has done extremely well. They are awfully good. We all know that. But I would imagine that this year will be an awfully good game. We're a little bit younger, but you are looking at two teams with a lot of Florida guys that are very close. I imagining it will be a heck of a game. I hope it is from our standpoint."

On the series with Miami and possible game in the future ... "I know going down to Miami was year was pretty powerful because Miami has won more National Championships than anyone else in the state of Florida along with their tradition and where they are on the national scene. That along with going down there after our Louisville game there was a lot of attention on our program. So that was a pretty powerful time for program and I really enjoyed that. And now Miami is going to come back up and play us, and now that's something that is being talked about, is us playing Miami in the future. You know, BCS against BCS and that kind of deal. I would imagine that is why Miami has some interest. I don't think that they would have had as much interest if we weren't in a BCS conference. I think the fact that we are allows them - if it is a political step or whatever - that game has a chance to be played every year."

On the impact of playing in a bowl game last year ... "It seems like it had a lot of impact. You are before the media for another 15 practices, you are playing another BCS team - a North Carolina State team from the ACC - and certainly there is so much talk about the SEC and the ACC. You know our bowl game along with what happened with West Virginia beating Georgia in the Sugar Bowl, and all of those kinds of things really helped the BIG EAST and helped the University of South Florida. So I would tie that in with all of it. I'm not saying that last year was the best team we've had at South Florida. We've had some pretty good teams that won a lot of games but never went to a bowl game. But I think us playing an ACC team carried a little weight."

On some of USF's newcomers not qualifying hurting its incoming recruiting class ... "Well, I had 24 scholarships to give this year and we signed 29. So tell me, on signing day do you think I'm going to lose six? Now that is not always reported. We had a number of people placed in junior colleges on signing day. So we lost one guy that I really wanted, and I'd imagine that eventually he'll get there. Sometimes people will over sign. I've seen in the past people will talk about Florida signing 32. Well, everybody knows that the most you can sign is 25. So it's not always the way it appears because it not always shared like that. But the truth is we just lost one guy that I'd really thought we'd get and the others were placed in other places. Now will we get them back, I don't know. You have to wait for two years and there are so many variables. But sometimes there are it's hard to know in signing day who is going to make clearing-house and who's not. You want to make sure that you're solid, so if you have 23 you want to make sure that you're solid on 21 or 22. So you know that those guys are going to make it. Then you go out - and I don't know if it is right or wrong, and sometimes perception hurts you - then you go out and reach out to some guys that you know and you want start a relationship with."

On the state of the BIG EAST in 2006 ... "Well, everybody is talking about West Virginia and Louisville, and they should, because West Virginia and what they did (in the Sugar Bowl), they had a great year. We had a great game with them. I really enjoyed the game, other than I didn't like to lose, but 28-13 and we had the ball twice at the six and the three. If we score two touchdowns that last drive at the end might be for the game. But they have so many back. Everybody looks at the quarterback

(Patrick White), and they have a tremendous quarterback and they beat Georgia. Georgia and the SEC and everything is so well thought of in this part of the country that when West Virginia went in, and the way they beat them, really made a statement I think for that team. Louisville goes in and plays Virginia Tech with their backup quarterback and almost beat them. So you have to look at those two teams because Louisville has almost everybody back. And then you have to look at Pittsburgh, because they supposedly such a good recruiting class and they beat us. Then you look at Rutgers, because they have a lot of people back, and Connecticut, and then we're down there somewhere. I'm not saying that because we're trying to tell our guys, hey look what they're doing and all that. It's every team's new year. We may win a bunch of games and we may not this year. I don't know because you don't know how your team is going to come together. I do know one thing, I know we're going to go out and compete. We're going to go after it."

On the status of Jerome Springfield, Mike Padilla, Taurus Johnson, and Nate Allen ... "No, I don't think that Jerome is going to transfer anywhere, that's not true, as far as I know, and I know Jerome pretty good. Mike Padilla is a great young man. That young man is ... I can't say enough about him. How much he plays for us - he doesn't play a lot - his character, I tell you, you wish you could write headlines and stories about Mike Padilla. But that's not going to happen. He's just such a great individual. Taurus Johnson had a great summer. He has a chance to be a big time player. He can run, he's big, he's 6-1, 200 pounds, he can run a 4.4, he's just a tremendous player. I'm excited about Nate Allen. Nate Allen can play, and I don't have any doubt about that. We're excited about him coming in a quarterback and we'll see what he can do."

On Louis Gachette ... "Louis is a 6-3, 220, strong safety. He's an outstanding player who played a lot for us last year. He's a big guy and is a hitter. He came in as a quarterback, so you know he's an athlete and he has ball skills. I think that Louis has been a leader, he doesn't follow anybody else. He's his own guy. So I think he's done a good job."

On USF's history of moving quarterbacks to the defensive secondary ... "I was a quarterback and I played free safety. I wasn't very good. When I went to college we recruited a lot of free safeties as quarterbacks. I just think that they are very smart and know the game. You have to find out if they will hit you. If you find a guy that's smart, knows the game, and can run decent, and hit you, I don't care if it's a quarterback or not, they are just good athletes. They love the game, they're obviously leaders. Your not going to play quarterback and have some success if your not a good leader. And at safety you need that. You need to be a good to be a good communicator, you have to be able to talk to your corners, the other people on the team right in the middle."

On his staying at USF and whether he thought he would be here for 10 years ... "You really don't know the future. The main reason I wanted to be here - to be a head coach certainly was big, but you can be a head coach in other places. I remember talking with (former BYU head coach) LaVell Edwards when I took the job. He told me, Jim, your going to go down the University of South Florida, your going to go down to Tampa, and he said your never going to leave. I thought that was interesting. It was during our bowl game when we (Kansas State) were playing in the Holiday Bowl. He said, I've had a lot of opportunities to leave BYU, in Provo. I've had a chance to go to the NFL, a chance to go to a number of college programs, but this is home for me. He said, you're going to find the same thing out. You're going to see that it's hard to leave your home. And that's really the truth. To be away from here for 16 years and to be

able to come back here and walk though the youth center where you grew up, and walk through the baseball fields, and little leagues, or high schools and junior highs, and have family here, that's hard to leave. And I understand that the grass isn't greener, and it certainly hasn't been because of money. And that isn't to say that South Florida hasn't done a great job because they have, obviously with the last contract. They've done things that I never though I see. I don't feel important that much, I mean I don't. But to be able to live here is priceless, and we're in the BIG EAST now. We have a chance at a national championship. Now, will it happen, or won't it happen, well I don't know but we're in that room, and that is powerful. I was talking to some coaches down in Miami, and they were talking about what a great job FAU, FIU, and South Florida, and everybody has done, and I said that there was one difference; we are now in the same room with Florida, Florida State, and Miami. We're in the same room. Now, they may be in the front rows, they might be out there in front and we may be back there. But we're in the same room. We're hearing the same things, we have the same opportunity, and that is one of the most powerful steps that the University of South Florida has ever made. I did not think, when I was hired I always thought we would try to work through Conference USA, and the Conference USA would make that incredible leap. I was told by head coaches in Conference USA that there is no way that would ever happen, it just can't, you just don't understand this world. Being the optimist that I was I just didn't want to hear it. I talked to coaches that have been in this league for ever. So joining the BIG EAST, growing up here, and being apart of this university, why would you leave? You have a great stadium, you play at Raymond James Stadium, and having a stadium like that certainly hasn't slowed down Miami, they've won a bunch of national championships and they don't have their own stadium, and Pittsburgh, I think that they've won nine national championships and they don't have their own stadium, and USC they're not bad and they don't have their own stadium. That fact hasn't slowed down those teams. I just sounds to me that I'm fortunate to have a pretty good job."

On the differences of recruiting now compared to 10 years ago ... "Well there are great athletes everywhere, I don't think that is much different. Probably in recruiting the biggest difference is fatherless homes. That has been big, because a lot of times you're dealing with mom and the grandmother. That probably, when I go into home is the biggest thing, you don't go in with mom and dad. I think that young people haven't changed a lot. They want to be loved, they want to feel important, they want to perform, sometimes they might have to understand the discipline of it all because they don't always have that, and that's a big thing. But love and discipline go hand and hand and I think that the biggest thing we work on in our program, so I'd say that is almost the biggest difference."

On playing games on days other than Saturday ... "Well it doesn't matter what my thoughts are. I would prefer not to play on Sunday. We don't practice on Sunday. I know a lot of teams practice on Sunday and take Monday off. I always felt like Sunday was for church and I'll always feel that way, but it's just a day. What happens is when you start playing to many times different during the mid-week - even the Tuesday and Wednesday's - it is just so hard for these guys. You want a certain way of doing things and it just kind of disrupts it. We played UAB a number of years ago on a Wednesday night and you know that they aren't going to be focused on class. It was a national TV game on a Wednesday night. Do you think that they are going to be focused on class on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday? That's hard, that's very difficult. We won the game, but I still didn't like doing it. But you do what you got to do."

On Chris Robinson ... "Oh I love him, love him. He's going to play a lot of football this year. He's about 6-4, 240, ran about a 10.9 100 meters in high school, we're real, real excited about him, and he's a great young man. He'll back up a pretty good player now in Stephen Nicholas. He is big, he can run, he's physical, we've been trying to get him on the field more. We may move him to the corner because right now he's behind a guy that could be an all-american in Stephen Nicholas. They are both from that Jacksonville area. (assistant coach) Lawrence Dawsey has done a good job recruiting in the Jacksonville area. He going to play a lot this year if everything works out."

On the state of the offensive line ... "We're unsure right now, we don't know. We're excited about a lot of different guys. I really don't know the starting lineup right now. I mean you have two or three guys competing at left tackle, two or three guys competing at left guard, right guard, right tackle. There are probably about seven or eight guys in all competing."

On the decision to move Carlton Hill from quarterback to wide receiver ... "I just think that different things are happening with him and I just feel that, to be the quarterback and have that leadership position I just thought that - and I'm not saying that someday he won't be our quarterback - but for right now he needs to get focused on other things and go out and play receiver and be focused on that."

On the possibility of Carlton Hill redshirting this season ... "Yes, very much so. In fact we're looking at that very hard. In fact that is an incredibly strong possibility, it really is. He probably needs to get away, get a year away. What would be great would be to get him a year away and let him play somewhere. That would be the ultimate to be honest with you. Either to get him somewhere where he can play more quarterback or to redshirt him at our place, one of the two. Cause your looking at the big picture down the road."

On whether Carlton Hill would go to a junior college and whether he has been receptive to that ... "That's possible. Maybe place him at a junior college, let him play and bring him back. That's a possibility. Right now, though he's just focused on classes, he's got some other things off the field that he has to deal with. I think the world of the young man, but some of the decisions he's made haven't been the best. That doesn't mean that I don't love this guy, and care deeply for him as I do with all of our players. I just want to make sure that it is understood that there is a lot more than just football for my standpoint, and I really mean that. I don't want football to be the priority, I want you to focus in and have a life."

On being concerned that if he goes to a junior college that he may not come back ... "I'm don't really worry about that because I would be involved in him doing that, and I'm the same always if, at the time he always has the opportunity to come back here provided everything works out if that case happens. But that is the direction we're leaning towards. I think it would be good for him. He'll keep playing and I think it makes a lot of sense. Maybe he can keep playing quarterback at another place and get focused, and to be honest with you it doesn't have anything to do with academics, you can take that right out. It just has to do with him getting squared away with things. He's a good young man, he needs to make better decisions, but he is a good young man."

►► JIM LEAVITT LUNCHEON QUOTES

BIG EAST ROOM, USF ATHLETIC FACILITY TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2006

Opening comments ... "We're anxious to play. We're playing a very good team in McNeese State and we're going to have to play awfully, awfully well to have a chance to win. They are ranked as one of the best teams in I-AA and they have a great tradition, they have their entire team back. They are very big and they are very physical. They are very good."

On distractions with the team over the past couple of weeks and with them being so close to the season opener ... "We've had distractions for 10 years, since I was hired. We just keep moving forward. I just go out and get ready for practice. I really don't change much."

On how important it is, for the condition of this team, to get a win in the season opener ... "Well you always want to win, regardless of who you play. I'm not focused on winning as much as I am playing good football, seeing if we can play good. You know, we have a pretty young team, a lot of new faces. I just hope these guys go out and play well, play hard. We're going to make mistakes, but hopefully they won't be effort mistakes."

On what he's been most pleased with through camp ... "The effort, the character of our guys. We have a great group of guys. I really love being around these players."

►► MCNEESE STATE POSTGAME QUOTES RAYMOND JAMES STADIUM, TAMPA, FLA. SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2006,

Opening statement ... "We weren't very good. Your worst nightmares really came true. Out punter Ilia (Petrov), you know he's a good kid, a good guy, and it's hard to put him in that position. So I felt bad that we put him in that position. I thought our punt return team did very well. I really felt bad for the last one. Ean (Randolph) makes that run back and we get called for a block in the back. We just did so many foolish things. We looked like a young undisciplined team, we really did, and that's what we are. It's not because these guys are not real good guys, they are. I love this football team. We probably have half the guys on that football team have never taken a college snap before, and it looked like it. We made a lot of mistakes. But I'm proud of the way we came back, and kept battling. It doesn't surprise me that it was a close game. I thought it would be down to the last play. I told everybody that and fully expected it, but we kind of broke it open at the end there. We have a ways to go, obviously. We do have talent; you can see that, we do have some talented guys. It's just that we're not really a team yet. But when you have that many young people that's probably the way it is."

On the play of Matt Grothe ... "He did a great job, we all saw that. We had planned on playing Pat the first half and Matt was going to play the second half, because Matt has done so well in practice, and we need them all, we really do. But Matt started off slow, he had some rough moments, but at the end he really showed what he had been doing in practice. It's not unlike he's been doing it in practice. So Matt did an outstanding job, and I thought our offensive line did a little bit better."

On the play of the offensive line ... "Jared Carnes was struggling. That 93 (Bryan Smith), that defensive end is one of the best. He can play at a lot of places. He's really good. I saw him play earlier and I really worried about him, and Jared struggled with him, but Jared never played a college game. He had never played a college game, and I'm really proud of

Jared for trying and getting in there. We played Thed Watson. We got him in there and he played pretty good, even though he did hurt his ankle. He played pretty good I thought. He neutralized 93 a bit. We don't have our depth on our offensive line. So when you have Thed go down, and (Mark) Dile go down, your two starting tackles who are the only two guys on the offensive line that played last year at all. So think about the offensive line. We had already lost John Miller, and Frank (Davis), and (Chris) Carothers, and Dile and Watson are out. There is your whole five, so it's a whole new group, and it was interesting.

On the possibility of playing both Pat Julmiste and Matt Grothe against FIU on Sept. 9 ... "I don't know. I really don't like to make do many decisions until I go back and look at film and talk to our coaches. Matt did pretty good. I really don't know how bad Pat (Julmiste) is, I really don't. (Head trainer) Steve Walz said that he had a thigh bruise, but I don't know how bad it is. It's not a knee or anything like that."

On the injury to Moise Plancher ... "That was very disappointing. Moise is a very good running back. You know it's interesting; Walt Smith did tonight what he did last spring. You know we put Walt on a scholarship and I'm glad we did, for his senior year, because he did a pretty good job running tonight."

On the defensive line ... "We are so young on that defensive line. We have to look at it very hard. We didn't have much rotation. I thought Chris Robinson made some pretty good plays, ran pretty well. Treco Bellamy is really a converted linebacker, and that's the first time he has played college football. Chris Robinson never played a college game, (George) Selvie never played a college game, that's pretty young. Woody George has never really played a college game, Julian Riley never has, Siao Si (Uhatafe) never has. None of those guys have ever played a college football game. That's our front four, and that's not a lot of experience."

On what he like about the play of Matt Grothe and when he knew he was going to play ... "Just his demeanor, the way he handled the offense, he kept things in check. He hit the open receiver. He's just a confident guy, and he's been doing that, he's been doing that all along. I'm a pretty loyal guy. It was my call, not anyone else's to start Pat (Julmiste) because it's his senior year, and that's just the way I am. But I thought Matt has done so well and Matt knew he was going to start the second half, regardless of what the game was like. Whether we were up, behind, or anything, he was going to start the second half. We had told Matt that, really about a week ago and we told Pat about a week ago that he was going to start. He had known that. I would never tell a quarterback the day before. They usually get about a week advance, so they can prepare, and the offense knows who is going to start. That's real important."

On USF's blocked punt ... "I didn't see it, I think it was a low snap. (Ryan) Gilliam can run and we brought him from the back side. We really had a return on with that one. We weren't going for the block but we always bring Gilliam and he (punter) didn't have much time. Gilliam did a great job, he really helped us. He did some good things."

On the new one-inch kicking tee ... "One thing I thing we did notice was our kick offs. Our kick offs were tougher with a one-inch tee. When you had the two-inch tees you could get it up (in the air), because (Justin) Teachey is a pretty good kicker, and I could tell that is really noticeable. You really have to work on your kickoff team, because there are going to be more returns this year, your going to see a lot more returns this year."

► JIM LEAVITT LUNCHEON QUOTES BIG EAST ROOM, USF ATHLETIC FACILITY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2006

Opening comments ... "Last night we had a pretty good practice, although we got cut from rain. We're going to go out early today. We're going to go out at 3 p.m. today, because I'm worried about the rain that is coming in again, and we need to get a good practice in today. FIU is a really good football team. The last time we went to Middle Tennessee and played we got beat by 30 or 35 points. They just handed it to us. FIU had to deal with a hurricane (Eduardo) last week, has to go up (to Murfreesboro, Tenn.) early, goes into Middle Tennessee and nearly beats them, which is pretty impressive when you really look at it. That's hard to do. They showed to me that they have great focus and great composure to be able to do that. They have a defensive end, (Antwan) Barnes, who can absolutely destroy an offense. I've seen nobody stop him. He is the real deal. He is that good, and it's hard to stop that guy. I think their team speed on defense is very good. I think they run extremely well, their secondary, I thought, was outstanding. They have some real good players. Offensively, their tight end is supposed to be an NFL candidate, he is one of the top in the country right now in catches, and their quarterback (Josh Padrick) is very impressive. I think he's an outstanding player. I saw him play last year and thought he did a great job. He can run, he can throw, he can beat you. I think the receivers do a good job, the offensive line is big, and the running backs run hard. This is going to be a tough challenge for us. I imagine it will be like last week. I told everyone last week that game would come down to the wire, and it was true, and you saw it. We have a young team that we are trying to develop. Our main focus is trying to get better as a football team this week. Injury-wise the only thing that I will make a comment on, Moise Plancher we'll find out more about him later this afternoon. Thed Watson and Mark Dile, they're getting better, where they'll be at, we won't really know for a couple of days, whether we'll have them or not. Everybody else is fine."

On whether he thinks someone will emerge at quarterback or whether it will be decided on a weekly basis ... "I don't have a crystal ball. I don't know. I just know right now that we will start Matt (Grothe) and go from there. Pat (Julmiste) is a pretty good quarterback. He threw and ran extremely well. It wasn't his fault that we had illegal procedure, or illegal formation, it wasn't his fault we got the holding calls. Every drive he was in there we got penalties. Pat did real well, and that was encouraging because Pat can play. It was good to get Grant (Gregory) in also. We're going to need all three. I talked to (Anthony) Severino yesterday to, and I'm really proud of him. He works hard. He's works the scout team right now, because he needs to be throwing the football, so he's doing that. But I don't know how it's going to play. I think you're going to see them all play. I mean, it's a long season, a physical tough season. They will all be involved."

On whether he will use five running backs, like last weekend, this week against FIU ... "I don't know. I'm sure they'll all play. I'll tell you after the game, I really don't know. I know that they will all play, but I don't know who's going to play the most. Carl (running backs coach Carl Franks) does all that, putting them in there. I think they all did some good things. I thought Walt (Smith) did some good things, Keeley (Dorsey) did some good things, I thought B (Benjamin) Williams ran for some tough yards."

On his philosophy on whether injured players get their starting positions back when they are healthy ... "I don't have any philosophy on it."

If it's a guy that has been established, he's probably going to get back into the hunt right away. If a guy hasn't proven much, he better hope the other guy not come in a play. This isn't like the NFL and an injury can't take a starter out. We're going to play who we think is doing the best."

On what stood out about Matt Grothe's performance after watching film of the game ... "I thought he handled adversity pretty well. He didn't do real well right away. He had a fumble, there were some mistakes. I think he just stayed focused on the game. With some guys, when you bring them in like that, they're mistakes there, and they may not continue to go after it. I think that was important to me. I thought he was pretty calm. He went out and just directed the offense. There wasn't any yelling, or calling it this way or that way, or any of those kind of things that you have with a young quarterback sometimes. All of our quarterbacks did a pretty good job with that. So I thought he was pretty efficient, but it was one game, we'll see. How good of a player he is, is certainly a test over time. He did some good things last game. We'll see as the year goes. I think we'll need them all."

On whether Matt Grothe played better than he had played in practice ... "No. I read in The Oracle (USF student newspaper) this morning, I read a comment that he had, that he thought he played than he though he would play. I thought he played like he practices."

On whether he has a plan for the quarterbacks like he had last Saturday (starting Pat Julmiste and replacing him with Matt Grothe to start the second half) ... "Well, if we did have one I wouldn't tell you, but we don't. I don't have any plan that this guy is going to play one quarter, this guy's is going to play 18 minutes, it doesn't matter. Pat's going to be ready to go, and Grant's going to be ready to go, and Severino's going to be ready to go."

On what Pat Julmiste does to keep his confidence up ... "I don't know, he just goes out and does what he does. Like any position player. He practices a lot. I hope all our guys are confident, we work hard. You gain confidence with success, obviously, and the first place is in practice. If you have success in practice, you feel that you might have a shot."

On who may start at running back if Moise Plancher is not able to start against FIU ... "You know, I don't know. I think what we'll do is let Carl (running backs coach Carl Franks) make that decision. I always let my coaches make that decision unless I see something that I really don't like. I imagine Carl will play who practices the best this week."

On whether it's productive to go against a team like FIU that is going through the same things that USF is going through with youth ... "I don't think about those things. I really don't. To me, we're so concerned about seeing if we can play any better, I really don't think about any of those other thoughts other than going out and practicing really well today and seeing if we can improve. I don't even think like that. I know FIU's can beat us if we don't play really well. That I know. Just like I knew McNeese could beat us. There was no doubt that they could beat us. And they had a shot. I know FIU is the same thing. We've got to play better and if we don't then we're going to struggle. It's as simple as that. We're going to practice hard, and hopefully our guys will have enough focus so we can get a little bit better today. If we can improve and keep that going, then we have a chance to be competitive this year. I don't think ahead that much. I just think about today and this game."

On how special this game is to Bernard Clark who, prior to coming to USF, spent two years as defensive coordinator at FIU ... "I don't know. I haven't asked him."

On whether he is going to go with the hot running back ... "I don't know, I mean I really don't. I just go into a game and watch people play. I don't know, you know. I just always think about positive things. And if people are going to go in there and play well, I hope they do. I don't go in there thinking, if this is going to happen I'm going to do this, if this is going to happen I'm going to do this. I don't ever think like that. I just go in hope everybody plays well and see how it goes."

On who will probably get the start at punter ... "(Delbert) Alvarado. Delbert is going to go in first. Illia's really got a great leg. Obviously he does. He did in practice. He hit some really great balls. He'll be fine, he'll be fine. Both of those guys are going to be important to us in punting. They both have good legs. I'm not as concerned about the punters as making sure that the ball is snapped there, and that we go down and we cover during our punting. We didn't cover real well last week."

On why he named a starting quarterback after keeping it so quiet during the opening week ... "I just felt like it. No other reason than that."

►FIU POSTGAME QUOTES

**RAYMOND JAMES STADIUM, TAMPA, FLA.
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2006,**

Opening statement ... "Well I want to say that I'm really proud of our football team, because you can't come back and win a football game like that if you don't have great character. That's all that there is to it. I know it was like last week and we made a lot of errors. But you can't win a game like that if you don't have great character, and if you don't have great love for your teammates. You just have to keep fighting. FIU played a great game. They did everything that they wanted to. They protected their quarterback. That quarterback can beat you. Number one (Chandler Williams) is very good. We didn't stop him until the end, and their tight end is very good. I thought (FIU head coach) Don Strock did an exceptional job with the materials and talent that he has on that football team. I thought their defense, right out of the box, did a real good job to stop our run game, and I thought they played very, very well. Now our kicking game is killing us. The penalties that we have, the discipline, we won't win again this year if we don't change right away, because the teams that we're facing are too good, and we're playing like a very young and inexperienced football team. It's not that the guys were ready to play, I think they were. It's not that the guys aren't working hard, I think they are. But we're not being very smart, and it's happening a lot. I certainly have to do a better job getting it across to them. I just do. But I was really impressed with what they did. They played with a cause. And when you play with a cause, I knew it would be tough. They had a young man (Lance Preston) who was killed in a motorcycle accident and I'm sure that was a pretty good cause. We had Patrick Payton happen to us, and we had a pretty good cause. You come out and play with pretty good focus, for 60 minutes. I love this team, I love these guys we have, and appreciate them very much. But we have to change. We know we have a very tough opponent next week, and if we play like we've been playing, we won't have a prayer. So we've got to find a way to change, and change in a hurry."

On Taurus Johnson's first touchdown of the game ... "There is no way that Taurus Johnson should have taken that reverse into the end zone."

They had him boxed. That was sheer desire and determination. He willed his way in there. There is no other way. And then the big touchdown down the sideline, you know, they were great plays. We have talent on this team, I've always said that. I just said we're very young and we've got to find some discipline. We've got to find some discipline. It is such a key."

On Matt Grothe's performance ... "Oh he made some mistakes. I just wanted to keep him in there. I had Pat warming up in the second half, I had Pat ready, but Matt's a competitor and everybody was hyped up by how he did last week and I didn't say anything really too much. Because how good a player is, consistency over time. So where he might not play real well in some areas, I'm not going to get all down on him. Or when he does real good things, I'm not going to get so overjoyed. You have to have a steady keel about it. You've got to stay grounded, stay focused. He did some good things. He did some things that were not so good and he's got to get better, he's got to prove. Pat's got to be ready, Grant's (third-string QB Grant Gregory) got to be ready and Severino's (fourth-string QB Anthony Severino) got to be ready."

On Ean Randolph's performance this season as a punt returner ... "It breaks my heart, because here he does so well, and we keep getting a facemask penalty or a block in the back and it's not because the guys aren't trying. The effort's great, it's just very foolish. We've talked at length about it. I've said 'how many times are we going to do this?' Pour in and we'd be leading the country easy, if we weren't so foolish. "Now I knew you could do this, you've been doing it all spring", that's why I put him on a scholarship, and I feel real bad for him cause the guy could be leading the nation."

On the emotion of the FIU game ... "I seemed very emotional? I'm drained, I'm tired. I gave everything I've got, to try and see if we could win a game. I'm tired, emotionally tired and exhausted."

On the USF defense in the fourth quarter ... "That's as big as it gets. We tell our guys 'never quit, ever, ever'. You play 'til the end. You don't know what might happen, you know. Play 'til the end."

On the possibility of making changes after the first two games ... "I really don't know. We'll have to wait and look at film and we're going to try and play our best people. We're going to try and correct what we do on special teams. We took Ilia (Petrov) out, we put (Delbert) Alvarado in. We made that change at punter, other changes we make whenever."

On the different combinations at offensive line ... "Thed Watson was out, Marc Dile could only play the right side, with his knee. We have who we have, we have who we have. We're struggling a little bit. It's obvious, Ben Williams, what a great job he's doing. Tell that first down wasn't huge? Huge. They kept asking me, I mean, Matt (Grothe) on the 'boot, I want him running, I didn't want him to slide down, but he didn't want to have a fumble and I wanted to keep the ball in the quarterback's hands at the end with what we were going to do on fourth down and we had a lot of options, so I just said 'We'll run this out'. Get the first down. How 'bout that. We're fortunate. The guys blocked."

► JIM LEAVITT LUNCHEON QUOTES BIG EAST ROOM, USF ATHLETIC FACILITY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2006

Opening statement ... "Instead of boring you with stuff, I'll just ask if you have any questions, and then we can get right to the point. You don't

need to hear me rambling about anything."

On the running game and whether USF will try to pass more to offset its personnel losses in the backfield ... "Well, I don't know who's going to run with the ball, but one of our guys got 80-something yards rushing last game. It just so happened to be our quarterback. But we're going to run with our quarterback some just like we run with our running backs. But we've got to find a way to run the ball. I think it would be very, very difficult to think that we can sit back there and throw it all the time."

On whether Matt Grothe will still start at quarterback ... "Yes, yeah, Matt will start this week but we'll try to keep all four (quarterbacks) ready. I know that I include all four of them (Grothe, Pat Julmiste, Grant Gregory, and Anthony Severino), but I really mean that. Pat, certainly will be right in there, and then Grant and Severino. But Matt will start."

On whether he's concerned with the field goal kicking position being 0-5 ... "Yes, but you know I don't go back to last year, because there were some other things that were maybe a hindrance. But I am. We've got to go and hit field goals. That is important, and I think Mike (Benzer) knows he's got to hit it. He's trying, but you know, after a while you have to do something. If it continues to not be good you have to do something."

On the possibility of continuing to play UCF ... "Well I think just because of the location of two schools, it's natural. It's there anyway, as far as getting a rivalry going, I think it's already there, let's be honest. The schools are not separated by that much, they're pretty close. Both schools are trying to build, trying to build a program, so that part is naturally there. How many Florida schools are you going to play? We've played Miami, Central Florida, Florida International, and FAU (Florida Atlantic University), and where are you going to go with all of it? I don't know, that's something that I'm unsure of, and how that's all going to work out."

On crossing paths with UCF on the recruiting trail and how much winning Saturday's game will be ... "I think so, I think it's important. I don't think it's the only thing that's important. I mean, I don't want to talk for recruits, but I think that recruits will look at a lot of things. I think that this game is one of them, to measure where things are at, but I think that they will also look at a lot of things. There are a lot of variables in the recruiting process, a lot of things, a lot of things that I think families look at, and a young man looks at. An opportunity to play at his position, what conference your in, how you do, not only in this game but other games, I think that the game is real important, but you also have the season, and there are a lot of games to be played, and this is just one game. It is an important game; I recognize that, but there a lot of games. Both team's, regardless of what happens on Saturday, have to find a way to make sure that the focus is on the conference race. Both schools want to win conference championships and want to get into bowl games, and those kinds of things, so with that being said the game is important."

On whether losing a game to Miami is less damaging than losing a game to UCF because of the programs being more equal ... "I'm not sure, I don't know really, I haven't thought about it that much. I want to win all games that we play."

On whether there is something to lose by playing a certain team and whether that enters into a decision to play a specific opponent ... "No, I don't think that way. I always go into a game hoping to win; I don't think about anything else, I really don't. I don't sit there and think if we lose

this game or we lose this game, what would that do to the program. I never think like that and never will. I always go after the game and stay positive and optimistic."

On the penalties during the punting game ... "Well, our guys have been pretty aggressive, that's for sure. The efforts been there, and that's good. It hasn't been just one guy. We certainly have to stop, but we don't want to lose our aggressiveness now, but we don't want to get penalties. We point them out on film, we show it to them, but the bottom line is that we have to stop, or it's going to cost you like it did last game, quite a bit."

On Matt possibly being out of synch with his receivers against FIU ... "Well Matt and Taurus (Johnson) were in synch, so that was good. The other guys, I don't know. We had a couple of drops when the ball is thrown well. A couple of times there was a communication breakdown between the two. It probably happens when this is Matt's second game that he has played in college, so it's probably not too bad for having a two-game tenure."

On scheduling a BCS of non-BCS team ... "I don't necessarily think that comes into play. We have them scheduled for not only this year but two more years. That's as many years as we have anybody schedule other than the conference teams. We have a four-year deal and that's quite a few years."

On the benefit of playing UCF ... "Probably financially, everybody would look at it, you don't have to travel too far. You don't have to get on an airplane. The crowd is probably going to be a pretty good crowd. It will be important for both schools, the excitement there, I think for the alumni, the fans."

On whether there is anything to gain, from a football and coaching perspective, from the two schools playing ... "Well sure, if you win the football game you should gain quite a bit. It's another win. It's another win towards a bowl game. You'd like to win, that part is pretty exciting. You work so hard, the challenge of it all, that parts kind of fun."

On whether the players a feeling more hyped to play UCF as opposed to a McNeese State ... "Well, I don't think that there is any question about that. I think that those are the things that you get concerned about with playing a team like McNeese. Since you prepare for those two (McNeese State and FIU), and even though McNeese is a pretty good I-AA team, I don't know how they did last week but I think they are a pretty good I-AA team. Now you're playing against a team that is supposed to win Conference USA, we never won Conference USA, and they're picked to win the conference. I know that they are picked ahead of us and everything, right now, and probably should be because they did very well last year. They have a lot of people back and we have a young team. So most people would put them in the drivers seat, at there place, the whole deal."

On how much control he has in the scheduling ... "Doug (USF Athletic Director Doug Woolard) and I talk about it, I get involved with it, and we discuss it. Certainly the athletic director is the one that makes the final decision, but talks to me about different things at different times."

On whether there are any bad reasons to play UCF ... "Well, I don't think that if there were a lot of bad reasons, I don't think we would have gone four games. I mean we scheduled them four years, I keep saying

that."

On whether USF is required to play UCF ... "You will have to ask Doug (USF Athletic Director Doug Woolard) that. I don't know all of the administration details about all of those things. He just talks to me about scheduling and those things. But we scheduled them for four years. I don't think we scheduled them for four years in the State of Florida."

On whether he feels UCF is worthy of being in a BCS Conference ... "Well there pretty good. I don't make those decisions. I think they are a pretty dang good team, a pretty good team."

On healthy a traditional rivalry would be with UCF ... "It could. We have them (UCF) four years in a row so we'll see how it plays out. It could."

On whether he would like to see the USF vs. UCF game become like Florida-Florida State or Florida State-Miami ... "Well that depends on the media and television and those kinds of things. Will there be 85 or 90,000 people at the game? I don't know. We'll have to wait and see. I think it will be a pretty good crowd though."

On Ricky Ponton, Josh Julmiste, and Jackie Chambers being suspended indefinitely for a violation of team rules and whether they would play on Saturday ... "They are not going to play on Saturday."

On whether there is more at stake playing UCF now that USF is in the BIG EAST ... "There is a lot at stake always. Is there a lot because you are in the BIG EAST? In perception, maybe, but there is always a lot at stake. I'm excited about playing. It's such a challenge, such a challenge. They're a very good football team. They've certainly shown it, and it is a real challenge for our guys to go there and play. A great challenge."

On what grabs his attention about UCF's program ... "They are doing a whole bunch of things. They have a new facility. They have an indoor (facility). I've never been in an indoor down here, down South. We had one up in Kansas. They're building a stadium, and doing all of those different things. They seem to be working pretty hard at it. They won a bunch of games last year, a bunch of games last year, and played for a championship (Conference USA) and went to a bowl game. Those are some pretty good things. It shows that they are working at it, pretty hard, and to me that's pretty impressive."

On whether the UCF game is an ideal first road game this year ... "I haven't thought about it really. I don't think like that. I don't think, is this ideal, or is this the perfect thing or not the perfect thing, and all. We're playing them this Saturday. I think every test for us is big. Shoot, McNeese we won the game but we were behind the all the way. Last week (against FIU) we were behind the whole game. Were those two pretty good tests? Yeah. For us yeah. We were fortunate to win two games. We've got to battle our tail (off) just to survive and hang in there."

On whether he is concerned about UCF after USF having struggles in its first two games ... "I don't worry to much about anybody. I know teams are good, I know every team is good and that you have to play 60 minutes of football. I don't worry as much about the team that we're playing as much as our football team, trying to make sure that our football team gets better and prepares. I know they're good. There is no question about that. I know that we have to play at a very high level to have

a chance to win. I know that, and we haven't particularly done that, so we certainly have to get a lot better. We have a lot of young guys around here that hopefully will get a lot better real quick."

On last week's performance of George Selvie ... "He works hard, he does all the right things and just tries. He understands he has to work real hard to get better. He doesn't get over looked by us."

On what his team is doing well that he is excited about ... "Well, we've won a couple of games, somehow we found a way and to me that shows character. They've been in some tough situations, they work hard, and they're trying, they're really trying. They try to do the best they can and I'm proud of them for that. Really, for the most part, that's all you can ask from a football team, just to give it their very best. They are trying to get better and that's important, really important. It means a lot to me. This is a good group of guys. They are doing the best they can."

►UCF POSTGAME QUOTES FLORIDA CITRUS BOWL, ORLANDO, FLA. SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2006,

Opening statement ... "I'm obviously proud of our players. Our players have got great character. Sometimes they take a lot of hits, which is unfair. That's not right. But I guess that's life. I wish the truth would always be told about our players, because they're a great group of guys. I'm tired of people trying to attack our guys. I love them so much. They've got great character, they're good people. I'm proud of them, proud to be a part of their lives. I'm disappointed in some things I read Thursday out of the Orlando paper and our guys took offense to it. We're not a bunch of renegades. It's not us. It's not anything about us. And I promise you that helped us. Those comments helped us. And they really fired our guys up, because our team knows who they are. And nobody thought we'd have much of a shot today. I'm proud of our team. I thought Central Florida, George has done a heck of job. Honest to goodness, he's done a heck of a job here and they've got a heck of a team. We have a number of things we have to clean up obviously. We have to catch a punt (snap) and punt it. But we really talked about Kansas (after the game). We're really focused, trying to get focused on Kansas. I saw Kansas play against Toledo last night and it's going to be a tough game, and that's where our focus is right now. We're going to have to play better to have a chance to beat Kansas. We made a number of mistakes today. A lot of them. But the character won out. The guys just played and they finished and they fought. They fought as hard as they possibly could."

On Matt Grothe ... "Well, I don't know for a freshman or a sophomore or a junior or a senior. Let's just not say 'for a freshman.' Just say Matt's done some really good things. He had a lot of dropped balls today and there's a lot a short passes that Matt could have thrown a lot better. The receivers got so tired, and Matt, I think got so tired. He ran so much. And you know what I'm so proud of? I was so proud of Pat Julmiste. Because he was in there and he was ready to go, and I think he would have done so good today. But what I was so proud of him, was he was in Matt's corner. He was right there encouraging him. And that's hard...I mean it's not hard, it's the way it's supposed to be. The guys know they can't win as individuals. They know they have to win as a team. We really talk about having one heartbeat out there, and we really talked about being close. When you get attacked, you really close your ranks, and you kind of look at each other and you love each other. We know we've got a way to go. We know we've got a young team. We've got guys that are playing that never played college football. And they're trying really hard. We've got a way to go, I recognize that. We're not a great team right now. But we're

trying, we're really trying."

On comeback wins ... "I don't know about the other weeks, I'm just thinking about today. That's a dang good football team we were facing today. In a 10-7 ball game, that's a good football team. Good football teams, 10-7, I didn't have any problem with that really. I knew it was going to be a 60-minute ball game. We had our shot...darn on that last (UCF) drive we had our (defensive) chances. That just shows Moffett is a senior who's really battling. Give him a lot of credit."

USF's timeout on fourth down in the fourth quarter ... "We just wanted our guys to make sure our guys lined up right. To do it right."

On the blocked punt ... "How do you handle adversity? You play. You play hard."

On postgame run to the fans ... "The way this program's been attacked and ripped, that's been disappointing and unfairly. I was disappointed in that. I just wish people would be honest. If things start getting personal, things start getting out of whack, their not honest, their not objective, then I get real disappointed. And it's wrong. It's absolutely wrong. But you can't control what some people in the media write, because I don't have the last ink. I'm not the guy that writes. You just have to keep your mouth shut and you just go out and work. That's the thing that's hard. And for 10-11 years, I've been so open about different things. I've been the most open guy in America. Then all of the sudden things are unfair, their wrong. So, I guess it was kind of emotional. The love that I have for people here that came and saw us play. The love for the people I have in Tampa and St. Pete and around the area. I wouldn't have wanted to coach the University of South Florida if I didn't love where I live and the people I'm around. There's been opportunities to go other places, make more money, and the bottom line is I've got the best job in the country because I love where I live. You got your family. My family has to read things like that. You got your mom and dad. 'Why do they write things like that,' 'Mom, don't worry about it. It's okay, that's the way it is.' They know the truth. So you've just got to believe the truth. The truth. And I'm big about that."

On the plan to use Eand Randolph more on offense ... "He's got a lot of skill. He has a lot of talent. Marcus (Edwards) was the one I thought we wanted to get him catching. We've got to get our receivers lined up. We're really busting there. How about the great play by Amarri Jackson, throwing the ball? The primary guy wasn't open, so boom, throw to the next guy in the post, the skinny post. He didn't throw the ball real well, but how about Amp (Hill) going to get the ball?"

On Ean Randolph's game winning reception possibly being redemption for an earlier drop ... "I don't think Ean thinks that way. What, do you think I want to catch this because I want to redeem things? I think he wants to catch it because he wants to win this football game and catch the ball. He dropped one. He's tired. He's so tired, he's worn out."

On rotating defensive linemen ... "We had to. We had guys who were really hurting, really struggling today."

On concerns with the running game ... "It's tough. But I thought Walt Smith had a real good run at the end. He stretched the defense and found a crease. Ben Williams, what a great guy. A walk-on. Those guys are battling. It's who we have right now. Moise (Plancher) has an ACL, and as the

whole world knows, Ricky's (Ponton) out for some games. That's where we're at. That's just where we're out."

On whether there was a different feeling with the win over UCF ... "It's emotional because of the things I said earlier. I get fed up with it sometimes. And I don't have any right to say those things to be honest with you. I'm letting my emotion override good judgment. What I should say is...not say a dang word, which is what I'll do after I leave here. I talk too much. That was my problem for 10 years. Just keep your mouth shut and coach your team. Let things go, and just do what you know is right, with everything you do, do what is right. You have to live that way."

On whether the emotion of the win sent him to the fames ... "I would run in there any way. Whenever we win a game, it's emotional. We've had three emotional wins. I was real proud of the crowd. They were loud. They would say U-C-F and then we said something. You could hear them all around the stadium. I was proud of our fans. And let me tell you something, honestly, that's a darn good football team. I don't know how they're going to do in Conference USA. We'll see. It's a pretty good conference. The Big East is pretty good. You guys saw West Virginia play. We're going to have to play a little bit better, we know that, to have a shot at beating anybody."

On the play by Chris Robinson at the end ... "That last play was a great play. On a lot of plays earlier, he got his butt kicked. He got brought down to his knees. But on the last play, we had the (UCF) timeout. He had some energy and he got around it. Lord, that's the second time we had a fourth and four and fourth and six at the end of a game, isn't it? Unbelievable."

On what three comebacks do for a team's confidence level ... "I don't know. I'm about to have a heart attack. It doesn't do a dang thing for me. I knew it was going to be that way today. I knew it was going to go 60 minutes. When we were up 17-10, I knew right when they had the ball... I was on the phone with (offensive coordinator) Rod (Smith), I said Rod 'get ready to go back and score here. Go back and score. People are tired. I thought it was going to be a real offensive battle in the second half, because both defenses were tired. People were out there just hanging on."

► JIM LEAVITT LUNCHEON QUOTES BIG EAST ROOM, USF ATHLETIC FACILITY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2006

Opening statement ... "We had a good practice last night, the guys worked hard. The University of Kansas is a very good team. They're very big. Their offensive line is huge. They have an outstanding quarterback, their running backs are very good, there receivers are big. They're impressive on offense. On defense, their front four is by far the best front four that we'll have faced. Their linebackers are outstanding, and their secondary is good. Their defense is awfully good. They went to a bowl game the past few years and we're going into their place - Memorial Field - in Lawrence, Kansas, on their turf, against a very good Big 12 team. It just keeps getting tougher. The challenges are getting a lot tougher every week. Our team's going to have to play with great effort, but we need to play awful smart, and not make the mistakes we've been making. We won't have a chance to win if we make the mistakes we've been making, like certainly the punt and those things, the turnovers. We need to sure a lot of those things up, or we'll have a hard time this weekend. It's quite a challenge. We're excited about it, I am, and I think our players are it'll be a real challenge."

On how quarterback Matt Grothe has developed in his three collegiate games ... "Well, you know, I think he's doing a good job. I think he's probably handling things pretty well. He goes out and competes. He's made enough mistakes that he knows that he still needs to get better, and that he has a way's to go. He has as good family who I'm sure has taught him humility, which is very important. He knows that it takes a lot of people to make anything happen, and I think he understands that. Matt knows that he has to work extremely hard to get where he or anybody else needs to get to. We'll try to make sure that he doesn't slow down on how hard he works, so I think he's done ok with that."

On whether he is concerned that the team is slow to get into gear until the second half of the game, or encouraged that the team finds a way to win after being down early ... "Well I like the positive part of what you said, that the fact that we have been able to compete and finish games, and compete throughout, I think is really important. We don't go out there intentionally and want to not do well. You know last game, we've had moments - the last few games - we were down 7-0 against FIU (Florida International) and Ean (Randolph) returns a punt all the way, we answered back right away. We're kind of just banging. We're a young team that's out there just trying to find a way. You know the last game (against UCF), that was a pretty good team, in that environment, they were a team that was looking for us for a year, the crowd, everything. That was a pretty tough challenge."

On the status of USF's running game ... "The guys are doing the best they can. B. (Benjamin) Williams, Walt (Smith), and (Keeley) Dorsey hasn't played a lot lately. Our quarterback has been running real well, so that part is good. Would we like to have a running back get a lot of yards also, yes, it would be nice, but I can't tell you if it is going to happen or not. They do run the ball in practice, they work hard, and we're trying to do the best we can with that. Would I like to have the running backs have a lot more yards, sure."

On whether he expects to cut back on the quarterback draws with the amount of rushes per game ... "Well, those are things that I can't answer really. All those things are in our offense. We're probably like anything else, we're going to try to do what we can to move the ball, and get first downs, whatever it is. Right now the quarterback's been running the ball a little bit. It may not this week, I don't know. We have it all ready and then we just see how teams play us. You have a plan, you look at film, you kind of feel that this and that should work, and sometime it does and sometimes it doesn't. You have to adjust during the game to see what's working."

On how much of an advantage it is that Matt Grothe was an option quarterback in high school in terms of getting familiar with USF's offense ... "That has helped him, because he did run a similar offense in high school. The game in high school, you still have to get people to block. As far as comparing levels, there's junior high, high school, and college, it's all comparable as far as the level of people that you're playing, that you're going up against. Matt running this offense I think helps him. We're different than what he did in high school, but there are similarities, that part I think helps him."

On his reaction to Matt Grothe winning BIG EAST Conference Offensive Player of the Week ... "I think he deserved it. It was a challenging game (the UCF game) and he did some good things so I'm not going to sit here and say that he doesn't deserve it. I don't probably make as a big a thing

out of it as I probably should, and usually it's because I want him to stay grounded. Because their will be enough attention. He's going to get enough attention. I didn't ever announce it, I really didn't even know until last night (Monday night). I'm sure John (Sports Information Director John Gerdes) told me, I probably just didn't think about it. I haven't even told the team yet, but I'm sure that everybody knows. I am cautious, he's a young guy. I think he'll be fine, I think he's ok because he's so grounded. He knows. He understands work - all our guys do - and that helps. We're not going to have a shot if we don't lay our hearts and souls on the field. I've never had a team that couldn't do any less than that. So I think they understand that."

On the public perception of playing and possibly beating teams from conferences like the Big 12 and the ACC as opposed to a win over UCF ... "Kansas is very good, let me tell you something, if you only saw on film. Their defense, their offense, they are very good. Our guys have seen the film, and they realize that this is another step. It's a different deal. Central Florida had the other emotional aspect of it all. The proximity of schools that I talked about last week, that people want to make a rivalry, and I would say just because of the locations, it's natural like that. This is a very good football team. They can run. The defensive front can run, they're strong, and their linebackers can really run. They're used to playing the other team's in the Big 12. They're used to that kind of level and play. That's probably the difference between some of the conferences. You see all the I-AA's knocking off some very good I-A teams, but can you do it week-in-and-week-out in these major conferences? That's another deal. Our guys understand that this is a different situation and that we're going to have to raise our level of play. You can't make mistakes. We've made mistakes the first three games and have found a way to win. You're not going to do that against teams of this caliber. You just won't, you won't have success."

On any one moment that stands out in his mind after playing against Kansas as a player at Missouri or coaching Kansas State ... "It was a great challenge every time we played them, a great challenge. I've come away from this stadium with some wins and losses, and it's always tough, it's always been a hard fought game, as a player and as a coach. Mark Mangino does a very good job. He's a tough competitor. They're going to be ready to play. They've had an extra day, you know, they played on Friday night. For coaches it's good, you get an extra day of film and for players you get an extra day of rest because you're sore and all of that stuff. It's always been tough, tough games."

On how important it is to go on the road and get on the scoreboard first ... "I'd always like to have a lead, whether it's at home or on the road, or anywhere. People talk about on the road because you want to take the crowd out of the game. I always like to start off fast. We haven't, it's not because we don't want to. But whatever the circumstances of a game - whatever happens - you have to deal with it and you have to adjust. If you get a lead you have to fight all the way through. So I think it's important to try to play well all the way through. Things happen and you have adversity in everything in every game. I haven't been, hardly in any games where there hasn't been any adversity. You've got to deal with it, however it comes, because it's going to come. Every game it's going to come."

On Trae Williams's interceptions being because the offense doesn't want to challenge Mike Jenkins or because Trae is making all the plays ... "I think it's because Trae works extremely hard. People have chal-

lenged both sides. Last game Mike was challenged just as much as Trae. I think it's just Trae working so hard in practice. He's hard on himself. He tries to be the very best he can be, and I just think that is his work ethic that makes those plays. But I think they challenge both sides. I haven't seen them go to one side or the other more than the other."

On whether this is a game to worry about coming off an emotional win and then having the BIG EAST opener on Sept. 29 ... "Again, like I said last week, I don't worry to much. There's enough there - in my brain - I can't do those things that. I can't worry about this and that. I just sit here and think so much about the team that we're playing, I can't think about other things. Then you sit there and think what if this happens, what if that happens. I don't even think about those things. You just try to get your guys ready as best you can, and go out and try to play as hard as you possibly can, and focus on your team. Try to get them ready to go, and hopefully the leadership of your team - and this is always critical - the coaches work hard, but the leadership of your team is important. You go out and play, go out and play. I already told you this is tough. I understand how good Kansas is. They went into Toledo, they had the game won, Toledo's a good football team, in their backyard at night, and had a whole bunch of opportunities to win. This is a good football team. This is a great challenge, great challenge. I don't think about the next game, all I'm thinking about is Kansas. The next games we play, they're all good. There's going to be enough challenges all the way though. I'd be sick if I started thinking to far ahead with all the good teams we're facing."

On whether he's looking at doing anything special to put the game on KU's freshman quarterback's (Kerry Meier) shoulders or stay with their usual defensive plan ... "I think for the most part, anybody we play, we're always going to try to stop the running game the best we can. Now they run with their quarterback quite a bit and he's very good, he's very fast. He reminds me a lot of the quarterback at Arkansas. He gets out there and when he goes you just can't catch him. This guy can run. So, you know, that's going to be tough, because he can throw, he can run, they have good running backs, they can run the ball well. We always want to try to stop the run and stop the big play, those two things are always important, and we have work to do there. We've got to get better."



USF 41, McNEESE STATE 10
RAYMOND JAMES STADIUM · TAMPA, FLA.
SEPTEMBER 2, 2006 · 7 P.M.
USF 1-0, McNEESE STATE 0-1

► **SCORING BY QUARTERS**

	1	2	3	4	F
USF	0	7	7	27	41
McNeese State	7	3	0	0	10

Attendance: 26,351 Time: 3:10

FIRST QUARTER

MSU - Dolan fumble recovery in end zone (Bercegeay kick). Time left: 0:35. (MSU 7, USF 0).

SECOND QUARTER

USF - Grothe one-yard run (Benzer kick). Time left: 10:25. Drive: 13 plays, 66 yards, 5:10 (USF 7, MSU 7).

MSU - Bercegeay 22-yard field goal. Time left: 4:52. Drive: 13 plays, 67 yards, 5:33. (MSU 10, USF 7).

THIRD QUARTER

USF - Edwards 47-yard pass from Grothe (Benzer kick). Time left: 2:04. Drive: 5 plays, 87 yards, 2:10. (USF 14, MSU 10).

FOURTH QUARTER

USF - Randolph 10-yard pass from Grothe (Benzer kick). Time left: 14:06. Drive: 2 plays, 12 yards, 0:48. (USF 21, MSU 10).

USF - Smith 3-yard run (Benzer kick). Time left: 9:47. Drive: 4 plays, 48 yards, 1:21. (USF 28, MSU 10).

USF - Smith 24-yard run (Benzer kick). Time left: 6:19. Drive: 4 plays, 36 yards, 2:17. (USF 35, MSU 10).

USF - Dorsey 52-yard run (no kick attempted). Time left: 0:00. Drive: 5 plays, 80 yards, 3:27. (USF 41, MSU 10).

Holding onto a four-point lead heading into the fourth quarter, USF exploded for 27 points in the final 15 minutes that led to a 41-10 rout of McNeese State.

Out-gaining McNeese State 495-163, USF racked up 286 yards on the ground. Walt Smith led the Bulls with 70 yards on seven carries and two touchdowns. Both of Smith's scores came in the fourth quarter. Matt Grothe, who was making his first-career appearance, threw for 171 yards, completing 9-of-13 passes and two touchdowns. He also ran one touchdown in.

The Bulls' defense held the Cowboys to just 163 yards of total offense, forcing two fumbles and two interceptions.

McNeese State took an early 7-0 lead following a fumble recovery by Jared Dolan with 35 seconds left in the first. A fumble snap in the end zone by punter Ilia Petrov resulted in the first-ever fumble recovery in the end zone by a USF opponent.

USF tied the game on the ensuing drive. A 13-play, 66-yard drive, which lasted 5:10, was capped off by a 1-yard quarterback sneak by Grothe. The score, which was the first of his USF career, tied the game at 7-all with 10:25 left in the half. During the drive, Grothe registered his first-ever completion with a 6-yard pass to sophomore Amp Hill. The catch was the first of Hill's career.

A 22-yard field goal by Blake Bercegeay gave McNeese State a 10-7 lead with 4:52 left in the half. The Cowboys chewed up 5:33 with a 13-play, 67-yard drive, leading to the McNeese State field goal. The drive was highlighted by a trick play which resulted in a 35-yard gain for the Cowboys. On an end-around by Carlese Franklin, the McNeese State senior completed the long strike to Quinten Lawrence down to the USF 10-yard line.

Despite out-gaining the Cowboys 153-94, the Bulls entered halftime trailing by three.

Grothe's first-career touchdown pass gave USF its first lead of the game, 14-10 with 2:04 left in the third quarter. Grothe connected with Marcus Edwards on a post play down the middle of the field. The completion was good for 47 yards finished off a 5-play, 87-yard drive which lasted 2:10.

A botched punt by McNeese State at the start of the fourth quarter gave USF excellent field position at the Cowboy 12-yard line. Two plays later Grothe connected with Ean Randolph for a 10-yard touchdown pass to extend USF's lead to 21-10. Randolph, who recorded his first-career reception during the first quarter (six yards), finished the night with three catches for 24 yards and a touchdown.

Smith added a pair of touchdowns in the fourth quarter, to give USF a 25-point cushion, his first on a 3-yard run with 9:47 left in the game, made the score 28-10. An interception by Luis Gachette set up Smith's second rushing touchdown of the quarter. The ensuing drive resulted in Smith extending USF's lead to 35-10 on a 24-yard scamper with 6:19 left in the game.

The Bulls added one final score as freshman running back Keeley Dorsey ran for a 52-yard touchdown with time winding down.

Team Statistics	MSU	USF
First Downs	12	25
Rushes-Yards	37-82	42-286
Passing Yards	81	209
Comp-Att-Int	7-19-2	14-21-1
Total Yards	163	495
Punts-Avg.	6-28.8	2-28.5
Punt Returns	1-17	4-47
Kickoff Returns	6-112	3-53
Interception Returns	1-33	2-2
Penalties-Yards	7-60	10-82
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	3-2
Sacks By	0-0	1-9
Third Down Conversions	3-12	5-9
Fourth Down Conversions	1-2	0-1
Time of Possession	29:49	30:11

McNEESE STATE

Rushing	Att	Yds	TD	Lg
Derrick Fourroux	16	70	0	12
Chris Thomas	9	19	0	6
Kris Bush	3	8	0	3
Jordy Johnson	2	5	0	5
Jamie Leonard	1	3	0	3
Steve Whitehead	1	1	0	1
Terez Jackson	1	0	0	0
Mark Fontenot	2	-9	0	0
Blake Bercegeay	1	-14	0	0

Passing	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD	Int	Lg
Derrick Fourroux	16	6	46	0	1	18
Mark Fontenot	2	0	0	0	1	0
Carlese Franklin	1	1	35	0	0	35

Receiving	No	Yds	TD	Lg
Steve Whitehead	4	39	0	18
Quinten Lawrence	2	24	0	35
Carlese Franklin	1	8	0	8

Punting	No	Yds	Avg	Lg
Blake Bercegeay	5	173	34.6	46
Team	1	0	0.0	0

Punt Returns	No	Yds	Lg
Steve Whitehead	1	17	17

Kickoff Returns	No	Yds	Lg
Steve Whitehead	4	72	22
Quinten Lawrence	2	40	23

Defensive Leaders

Unassisted Tackles: 6 - Janelle Juneau, Assisted Tackles: 2 - Janelle Juneau, Jonatha Walker, Total Tackles: 8 - Janelle Juneau, Sacks: None, Interceptions: 1 - Bryant Mason

USF

Rushing	Att	Yds	TD	Lg
Walt Smith	7	70	2	24
Matt Grothe	10	58	1	16
Benjamin Williams	9	54	0	14
Keeley Dorsey	2	53	1	52
Moise Plancher	4	26	0	16
Pat Julmiste	3	23	0	18
Grant Gregory	1	6	0	6
Colby Erskin	5	5	0	5

Passing	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD	Int	Lg
Matt Grothe	13	9	171	2	0	64
Pat Julmiste	8	5	38	0	1	9

Receiving	No	Yds	TD	Lg
Marus Edwards	3	62	1	47
Amarri Jackson	3	31	0	12
Ean Randolph	3	24	1	10
Cedric Hill	2	69	0	64
Amp Hill	2	17	0	11
S.J. Green	1	6	0	6

Punting	No	Yds	Avg	Lg
Ilia Petrov	1	25	25.0	25
Delbert Alvarado	1	32	32.0	32

Punt Returns	No	Yds	Lg
Ean Randolph	3	34	32
Trae Williams	1	13	13

Kickoff Returns	No	Yds	Lg
Ean Randolph	2	40	31
Sam Miller	1	13	13

Defensive Leaders

Unassisted Tackles: 6 - Stephen Nicholas, Jeremy Burnett, Assisted Tackles: 1 - Seven players, Total Tackles: 7 - Stephen Nicholas, Sacks: 0.5 Alan Cray, George Selvie, Interceptions: 1 - Trae Williams, Louis Gachette



USF 21, FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL 20
RAYMOND JAMES STADIUM · TAMPA, FLA.
SEPTEMBER 9, 2006 · 7 P.M.
USF 2-0, FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL 0-2

► **SCORING BY QUARTERS**

	1	2	3	4	F
USF	0	7	7	7	21
FIU	6	14	0	0	20

Attendance: 27,114 Time: 3:15

FIRST QUARTER

FIU - Chandler Williams 82-yard punt return (Patullo kick failed). Time left: 10:52. (FIU 6, USF 0).

SECOND QUARTER

USF - Ean Randolph 76-yard punt return (Benzer kick). Time left: 14:38. (USF 7, FIU 6).

FIU - Robert Mitchell 14-yard interception return (Patullo kick). Time left: 9:21. (FIU 13, USF 7).

FIU - Samuel Smith 3-yard pass from Josh Padrick (Patullo kick). Time left: 0:20. Drive: 11 plays, 84 yards, 6:15. (FIU 20, USF 7).

THIRD QUARTER

USF - Taurus Johnson 14-yard run (Benzer kick). Time left: 4:59. Drive: 9 plays, 80 yards, 3:45. (FIU 20, USF 14).

FOURTH QUARTER

USF - Taurus Johnson 29-yard pass from Matt Grothe (Benzer kick). Time left: 2:33. Drive: 2 plays, 29 yards, 0:19. (USF 21, FIU 20).

Fourteen second-half points by sophomore Taurus Johnson led USF (2-0) to its second-straight comeback victory with a 21-20 win over Florida International (0-2) at Raymond James Stadium.

Recording his first-career rushing and receiving touchdowns in the game, Johnson, accounted for 120 total yards for the Bulls, while registering six catches for 106 yards and one touchdown. He also scored on a 14-yard end-around late in the third quarter for his first-collegiate touchdown.

Making his first-collegiate start, Matt Grothe threw for 174 yards on 15-of-28 passing with one touchdown and two interceptions. His lone touchdown was the game-winning, 29-yard completion to Johnson late in the fourth quarter.

Ean Randolph produced 123 yards on two punt returns, including a 76-yard return for the Bulls' first score of the game. Randolph nearly had two more on the evening, however, costly USF penalties negated the wide receiver's attempts.

An 82-yard punt return by FIU's Chandler Williams with 10:52 left in the first quarter gave FIU an early 6-0 lead, following the missed extra point by Chris Patullo.

Not to be outdone, USF responded with a punt return for a touchdown of its own. Randolph took a Chris Cook punt 76 yards to tie the game at 6-6 at the beginning of the second quarter (14:38). Mike Benzer converted the extra point to give USF a 7-6 lead.

FIU regained the lead with 9:12 left in the second quarter when defensive back Robert Mitchell intercepted a Grothe pass and returned it for a touchdown (14 yards). A successful point after attempt gave the Golden Panthers a 13-7 lead.

An 11-play, 84-yard drive by FIU was capped off with a 3-yard touchdown pass from Josh Padrick to Samuel Smith to extend the Golden Panther lead to 20-7 with 20 seconds left in the half. The drive, which lasted 6:15, was kept alive by a USF penalty during a Golden Panther punt. FIU proceeded to drive down the field, setting up the 3-yard score.

USF cut into FIU's lead with a 14-yard touchdown run by Johnson with 4:59 left in the third quarter. Led by Grothe, who gained 26 yards on the ground during the nine-play, 80-yard drive, the Bulls chewed up 3:45 while bringing the deficit to six points.

Trailing by six late in the game, USF's defense forced FIU's second turnover of the game as Moffitt stripped FIU running back Julian Reams. The ball was recovered by left end Richard Clebert at the Golden Panther 29-yard line.

On the ensuing drive, Grothe completed a 29-yard touchdown pass to Johnson with 2:33 left in the game. The touchdown was the second of the game for Johnson. With the extra point, USF took its first lead of the game 21-20.

FIU had one more chance to drive down the field, however USF's defense held the Golden Panthers, capped off by a tipped pass by linebacker Patrick St. Louis on fourth down with 1:50 on the clock. With the ball back in the offense's hands, USF ran the clock to win the game.

Team Statistics	FIU	USF
First Downs	15	16
Rushes-Yards	31-24	34-123
Passing Yards	238	174
Comp-Att-Int	20-33-1	15-28-2
Total Yards	262	297
Punts-Avg.	7-32.1	5-37.4
Punt Returns	1-82	3-129
Kickoff Returns	1-7	2-35
Interception Returns	2-14	1-0
Penalties-Yards	8-60	8-92
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	2-1
Sacks By	0-0	3-14
Third Down Conversions	5-16	4-12
Fourth Down Conversions	0-2	1-2
Time of Possession	32:44	27:16

FIU				
Rushing	Att	Yds	TD	Lg
Julian Reams	11	19	0	5
A'Mod Ned	11	16	0	5
Chandler Williams	2	0	0	3
Josh Padrick	7	-11	0	4

Passing						
	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD	Int	Lg
Josh Padrick	33	20	238	1	1	27

Receiving				
	No	Yds	TD	Lg
Chandler Williams	10	129	0	25
Samuel Smith	6	54	1	19
Ashlyn Parker	2	40	0	27
A'Mod Ned	1	10	0	10
Andy Anderson	1	5	0	5

Punting				
	No	Yds	Avg	Lg
Chris Cook	17	225	32.1	40

Punt Returns			
	No	Yds	Lg
Chandler Williams	1	82	82

Kickoff Returns			
	No	Yds	Lg
Chance Attaway	1	7	7

Defensive Leaders
Unassisted Tackles: 5 - Chris Smith, Lionell Singleton, **Assisted Tackles:** 3 - Marshall McDuffie Jr., **Total Tackles:** 7 - Chris Smith, **Sacks:** None, **Interceptions:** 1 - Lionell Singleton, Robert Mitchell

USF				
Rushing	Att	Yds	TD	Lg
Matt Grothe	16	82	0	15
Benjamin Williams	6	31	0	20
Taurus Johnson	1	14	1	14
Keeley Dorsey	2	7	0	5
Team	2	-3	0	0
Walt Smith	7	-8	0	4

Passing						
	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD	Int	Lg
Matt Grothe	28	15	174	1	2	29

Receiving				
	No	Yds	TD	Lg
Taurus Johnson	6	106	1	29
Marcus Edwards	3	21	0	10
Ean Randolph	2	9	0	5
Devin Gordon	1	24	0	24
Amp Hill	1	14	0	14
Walt Smith	1	4	0	4
Amarri Jackson	1	-4	0	0

Punting				
	No	Yds	Avg	Lg
Delbert Alvarado	5	187	37.4	47

Punt Returns			
	No	Yds	Lg
Ean Randolph	2	123	76
Amarri Jackson	1	6	6

Kickoff Returns			
	No	Yds	Lg
Taurus Johnson	1	20	20
Christopher Ellick	1	15	15

Defensive Leaders
Unassisted Tackles: 9 - George Selvie, Assisted Tackles: 1 - Trae Williams, Jeremy Burnett, Pat St. Louis, Tyller Roberts, **Total Tackles:** 9 - George Selvie, **Sacks:** 2 - George Selvie, **Interceptions:** 1 - Trae Williams



USF 24, UCF 17

FLORIDA CITRUS BOWL - ORLANDO, FLA.

SEPTEMBER 16, 2006 - 2:30 P.M.

USF 3-0, UCF 1-2

USF quarterback Matt Grothe threw for 302 yards and ran for another 73, and defensive end Chris Robinson sacked UCF quarterback Steven Moffett on a fourth and six from the USF 10 with just 22 seconds remaining to finish a 24-17 Bulls win at the Florida Citrus Bowl.

Grothe's 302 passing yards established a new USF freshman record, eclipsing Marquel Blackwell's 239-yard game against New Haven in 1999. Meanwhile, Grothe now has the top three rushing games by a freshman quarterback in USF history, including his 73 yards against UCF. Blackwell had held the record with 57 yards against Southwest Texas State in 1999.

Grothe threw his third touchdown of the afternoon on a 27-yard third down play to Ean Randolph with just over three minutes to play to break a 17-17 tie. The catch was Randolph's fifth of the afternoon for a total of 126 yards.

USF responded to the Bulls go-ahead score with a 17-play drive that went 65 yards before Robinson's fourth down sack that also caused a fumble. The UCF drive gained momentum on a fourth and 10 conversion, soon followed by a USF pass interference call.

But with a first and 10 at the USF 14, Moffett threw two incompletions before a four-yard pass play that set up the fourth and six. After a UCF timeout, the Bulls covered the end zone well, allowing pressure on Moffett and the eventual sack and fumble.

USF jumped out to a 7-0 lead that was initiated after the first of two Trae Williams interception.

With a first and 10 on their own 21 after the first interception, Benjamin Williams picked up four yards on a run, before Ean Randolph broke a bubble screen play for 51 yards on second and six. Grothe completed three more passes in the drive, and also ran for 11 yards, finishing off the drive with a seven-yard touchdown pass to Edwards.

Although both teams moved the ball well through the first half, scoring was at a premium, with UCF first getting itself on the board with a 22-yard field goal with 6:07 left in the first half. The Golden Knights then took a 10-7 lead - that held up at halftime - when Moffett found Thornton open for a 37-yard touchdown.

While scoring was again at a premium in the third quarter, the Bulls scored on Mike Benzer's first career field goal from 30 yards on the final play of the quarter to tie the game at 10-10.

USF seemingly gained control four minutes into the fourth quarter when Grothe led a five-play 48-yard drive that was helped along by a double reverse pass from receiver Amarri Jackson to Amp Hill that covered 31 yards and placed the Bulls on the two-yard line, setting up the two-yard touchdown pass from Grothe to Benjamin Williams.

That made the score 17-10 in favor of the Bulls with 11:05 left and the Bulls stopped UCF on its next possession to regain the ball at their own 39-yard line with 10:00 remaining, however USF would eventually be forced to punt.

Trying to recover from a bad snap, USF punter Delbert Alvarado made an attempt to rugby kick the ball, but it was blocked and returned 31 yards for a touchdown by Blake Carter to tie the game again at 17-17.

Grothe remained poised and led the Bulls on their winning drive that covered 90 yards after USF was penalized on the kickoff. Grothe set the stage with a 26-yard run of his own on the drive's second play. Two plays later, he ran for 13 more yards en route to what turned out to be the game-winning touchdown pass to Randolph.

SCORING BY QUARTERS

	1	2	3	4	F
USF	7	0	3	14	24
UCF	0	10	0	7	17

Attendance: 46,708

Time: 3:08

FIRST QUARTER

USF - Edwards 7-yard pass from Grothe (Benzer kick). Time left 6:52. Drive: 7 plays, 79 yards, 3:33. (USF 7, UCF 0).

SECOND QUARTER

UCF - Torres 22-yd field goal. Time 6:07. Drive: 16 plays, 79 yards, 6:29. (USF 7, UCF 3).

UCF - Thornton 27-yd pass from Moffett (Torres kick). Time left 2:15. Drive: 5 plays, 85 yards, 2:06. (UCF 10, USF 7).

THIRD QUARTER

USF - Benzer 30-yard field goal. Time left: 0:00. Drive: 7 plays, 37, yards, 3:27. (USF 10, UCF 10).

FOURTH QUARTER

USF - Williams 2-yard pass from Grothe (Benzer kick). Time left: 11:05. Drive: 5 plays, 48 yards, 2:08. (USF 17, UCF 10).

UCF - Carter 31-yard blocked punt return (Torres kick). (USF 17, UCF 17).

USF - Randolph 27-yard pass from Grothe (Benzer kick). Time left: 3:20. Drive: 9 plays, 90 yards, 3:30. (USF 24, UCF 17).

Team Statistics	UCF	USF
First Downs	20	20
Rushes-Yards	34-140	38-100
Passing Yards	219	333
Comp-Att-Int	19-44-2	22-32-1
Total Yards	359	433
Punts-Avg.	4-43.0	5-22.8
Punt Returns	2-69	2-33
Kickoff Returns	2-27	3-69
Interception Returns	2-(-)4	1-15
Penalties-Yards	7-60	5-48
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-0
Sacks By	5-27	3-25
Third Down Conversions	9-18	7-15
Fourth Down Conversions	2-3	0-1
Time of Possession	22:02	37:58

UCF

Rushing	Att	Yds	TD	Lg
Jason Peters	20	98	0	18
Phillip Smith	6	32	0	11
Steven Moffett	8	10	0	19

Passing	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD	Int	Lg
Steven Moffett	44	19	219	1	2	37

Receiving	No	Yds	TD	Lg
Mike Walker	12	133	0	36
Corey Rabazinski	3	20	0	9
Willie Thornton	1	37	1	37
Rocky Ross	1	20	0	20
Jason Peters	1	7	0	7
Mike Merritt	1	2	0	2

Punting	No	Yds	Avg	Lg
Aaron Horne	4	172	43.0	56

Punt Returns	No	Yds	Lg
Blake Carter	0	31	31
Joe Burnett	1	16	16
Jordan Richards	1	22	22

Kickoff Returns	No	Yds	Lg
Curtis Francis	1	14	14
Kenny Jackson	1	13	13

Defensive Leaders

Unassisted Tackles: 6 - Johnell Neal, Assisted Tackles: 3 - Randy Dozier, Ronnell Sandy, Joe

Burnett, Total Tackles: 8 - Randy Dozier, Sacks: 2 - Legar Douzable, Interceptions: 1 - Sha'reff Rashad

USF

Rushing	Att	Yds	TD	Lg
Matt Grothe	21	73	0	26
Walt Smith	4	14	0	9
Amarri Jackson	1	5	0	5
Benjamin Williams	8	5	0	5
Ean Randolph	2	3	0	3
Keeley Dorsey	1	2	0	2
Taurus Johnson	1	-2	0	0

Passing	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD	Int	Lg
Matt Grothe	31	21	302	3	1	51
Amarri Jackson	1	1	31	0	0	31

Receiving	No	Yds	TD	Lg
Ean Randolph	5	126	1	51
Amp Hill	3	52	0	31
Taurus Johnson	3	40	0	17
Marcus Edwards	3	28	1	13
Will Bleakley	2	22	0	15
Colby Erskin	1	29	0	29
S.J. Green	1	16	0	16
Cedric Hill	1	10	0	10
Devin Gordan	1	8	0	8
Benjamin Williams	1	2	1	2
Amarri Jackson	1	0	0	0

Punting	No	Yds	Avg	Lg
Delbert Alvarado	3	94	31.3	32
Matt Grothe	1	20	20.0	20
Team	1	0	0.0	0

Punt Returns	No	Yds	Lg
Ean Randolph	2	33	28

Kickoff Returns	No	Yds	Lg
Taurus Johnson	1	42	42
Mike Jenkins	2	27	15

Defensive Leaders

Unassisted Tackles: 7 - Jeremy Burnett, Assisted Tackles: 3 - Ben Moffitt, Total Tackles: 9 - Jeremy Burnett, Sacks: 1 - Alan Cray, Chris Robinson, Jarriett Buie, Interceptions: 2 - Trae Williams

USF Overall Team Statistics (as of Sep 18, 2006)
All games

TEAM STATISTICS	USF	OPP
SCORING.....	86	47
Points Per Game.....	28.7	15.7
FIRST DOWNS.....	61	47
Rushing.....	29	18
Passing.....	30	22
Penalty.....	2	7
RUSHING YARDAGE.....	509	246
Yards gained rushing.....	605	331
Yards lost rushing.....	96	85
Rushing Attempts.....	114	102
Average Per Rush.....	4.5	2.4
Average Per Game.....	169.7	82.0
TDs Rushing.....	5	0
PASSING YARDAGE.....	716	538
Att-Comp-Int.....	81-51-4	96-46-5
Average Per Pass.....	8.8	5.6
Average Per Catch.....	14.0	11.7
Average Per Game.....	238.7	179.3
TDs Passing.....	6	2
TOTAL OFFENSE.....	1225	784
Total Plays.....	195	198
Average Per Play.....	6.3	4.0
Average Per Game.....	408.3	261.3
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS.....	8-157	9-146
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS.....	9-209	4-168
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS.....	5--2	4-62
KICK RETURN AVERAGE.....	19.6	16.2
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE.....	23.2	42.0
INT RETURN AVERAGE.....	-0.4	15.5
FUMBLES-LOST.....	6-3	5-1
PENALTIES-YARDS.....	23-222	22-180
Average Per Game.....	74.0	60.0
PUNTS-YARDS.....	12-358	17-570
Average Per Punt.....	29.8	33.5
Net punt average.....	15.8	18.9
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME.....	29:50	30:10
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS.....	16/36	17/46
3rd-Down Pct.....	44%	37%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS.....	1/4	3/7
4th-Down Pct.....	25%	43%
SACKS BY-YARDS.....	7-48	5-27
MISC YARDS.....	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED.....	12	6
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS.....	1-3	2-3
ON-SIDE KICKS.....	0-0	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES.....	7-13 54%	3-6 50%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS.....	6-13 46%	1-6 17%
PAT-ATTEMPTS.....	11-11 100%	5-6 83%
ATTENDANCE.....	53465	46708
Games/Avg Per Game.....	2/26732	1/46708
Neutral Site Games.....		0/0

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
USF.....	7	14	17	48	86
Opponents.....	13	27	0	7	47

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RUSHING	GP	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
GROTHER, Matt	3	47	263	50	213	4.5	1	26	71.0
WILLIAMS, B.	3	23	105	15	90	3.9	0	20	30.0
SMITH, Walt	3	18	91	15	76	4.2	2	24	25.3
DORSEY, Keeley	3	5	62	0	62	12.4	1	52	20.7
PLANCHER, Moise	1	4	26	0	26	6.5	0	16	26.0
JULMISTE, Pat	1	3	23	0	23	7.7	0	18	23.0
JOHNSON, Taurus	3	2	14	2	12	6.0	1	14	4.0
GREGORY, Grant	1	1	6	0	6	6.0	0	6	6.0
JACKSON, Amarri	3	1	5	0	5	5.0	0	5	1.7
ERSKIN, Colby	3	5	7	2	5	1.0	0	5	1.7
RANDOLPH, Ean	3	2	3	0	3	1.5	0	3	1.0
TEAM	2	2	0	3	-3	-1.5	0	0	-1.5
PETROV, Ilia	1	1	0	9	-9	-9.0	0	0	-9.0
Total.....	3	114	605	96	509	4.5	5	52	169.7
Opponents.....	3	102	331	85	246	2.4	0	19	82.0

PASSING	GP	Effic	Cmp-Att-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lng	Avg/G
GROTHER, Matt	3	157.15	45-72-3	62.5	647	6	64	215.7
JULMISTE, Pat	1	77.40	5-8-1	62.5	38	0	9	38.0
JACKSON, Amarri	3	360.40	1-1-0	100.0	31	0	31	10.3
Total.....	3	151.78	51-81-4	63.0	716	6	64	238.7
Opponents.....	3	91.45	46-96-5	47.9	538	2	37	179.3

RECEIVING	GP	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
RANDOLPH, Ean	3	10	159	15.9	2	51	53.0
JOHNSON, Taurus	3	9	146	16.2	1	29	48.7
EDWARDS, Marcus	3	9	111	12.3	2	47	37.0
HILL, Amp	3	6	83	13.8	0	31	27.7
JACKSON, Amarri	3	5	27	5.4	0	12	9.0
HILL, Cedric	3	3	79	26.3	0	64	26.3
GORDON, Devin	3	2	32	16.0	0	24	10.7
GREEN, S.J.	3	2	22	11.0	0	16	7.3
BLEAKLEY, Will	3	2	22	11.0	0	15	7.3
ERSKIN, Colby	3	1	29	29.0	0	29	9.7
SMITH, Walt	3	1	4	4.0	0	4	1.3
WILLIAMS, B.	3	1	2	2.0	1	2	0.7
Total.....	3	51	716	14.0	6	64	238.7
Opponents.....	3	46	538	11.7	2	37	179.3

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
RANDOLPH, Ean	7	190	27.1	1	76
WILLIAMS, Trae	1	13	13.0	0	0
JACKSON, Amarri	1	6	6.0	0	6
Total.....	9	209	23.2	1	76
Opponents.....	4	168	42.0	2	82

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
WILLIAMS, Trae	4	-2	-0.5	0	2
GACHETTE, Louis	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total.....	5	-2	-0.4	0	2
Opponents.....	4	62	15.5	1	33

KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
JENKINS, Mike	2	27	13.5	0	15
JOHNSON, Taurus	2	62	31.0	0	42
RANDOLPH, Ean	2	40	20.0	0	31
ELLICK, C.	1	15	15.0	0	15
MILLER, Sam	1	13	13.0	0	13
Total.....	8	157	19.6	0	42
Opponents.....	9	146	16.2	0	23

FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Total.....	0	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents.....	0	0	0.0	1	0

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|----- PATs -----|

SCORING	TD	FGs	Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass	DXP	Saf	Points
RANDOLPH, Ean	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
BENZER, Mike	0	1-3	11-11	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	14
JOHNSON, Taurus	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
SMITH, Walt	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
EDWARDS, Marcus	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
WILLIAMS, B.	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
DORSEY, Keeley	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
GROTHER, Matt	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Total.....	12	1-3	11-11	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	86
Opponents.....	6	2-3	5-6	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	47

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
GROTHER, Matt	3	119	213	647	860	286.7
WILLIAMS, B.	3	23	90	0	90	30.0
SMITH, Walt	3	18	76	0	76	25.3
DORSEY, Keeley	3	5	62	0	62	20.7
JULMISTE, Pat	1	11	23	38	61	61.0
JACKSON, Amarri	3	2	5	31	36	12.0
PLANCHER, Moise	1	4	26	0	26	26.0
JOHNSON, Taurus	3	2	12	0	12	4.0
GREGORY, Grant	1	1	6	0	6	6.0
ERSKIN, Colby	3	5	5	0	5	1.7
RANDOLPH, Ean	3	2	3	0	3	1.0
TEAM	2	2	-3	0	-3	-1.5
PETROV, Ilia	1	1	-9	0	-9	-9.0
Total.....	3	195	509	716	1225	408.3
Opponents.....	3	198	246	538	784	261.3

FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	Lg	Blk
BENZER, Mike	1-3	33.3	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-1	0-0	30	0

FG SEQUENCE	USF	OPPONENTS
McNeese State	40	(22)
FIU	35	-
UCF	(30)	(22),35

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	Blkd
ALVARADO, D.	9	313	34.8	47	0	4	4	0
TEAM	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1
PETROV, Ilia	1	25	25.0	25	0	0	0	0
GROTHER, Matt	1	20	20.0	20	0	0	1	0
Total.....	12	358	29.8	47	0	4	5	1
Opponents.....	17	570	33.5	56	2	1	4	1

KICKOFFS	No.	Yds	Avg	TB	OB	Retn	Net	YdLn
TEACHEY, Justin	15	931	62.1	6	0			
Total.....	15	931	62.1	6	0	146	44.3	20
Opponents.....	11	622	56.5	1	0	157	40.5	24

USF Overall Individual Statistics (as of Sep 18, 2006)
All games

ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G

RANDOLPH, Ean	3	3	159	190	40	0	392	130.7
JOHNSON, Taurus	3	12	146	0	62	0	220	73.3
GROTHE, Matt	3	213	0	0	0	0	213	71.0
EDWARDS, Marcus	3	0	111	0	0	0	111	37.0
WILLIAMS, B.	3	90	2	0	0	0	92	30.7
HILL, Amp	3	0	83	0	0	0	83	27.7
SMITH, Walt	3	76	4	0	0	0	80	26.7
HILL, Cedric	3	0	79	0	0	0	79	26.3
DORSEY, Keeley	3	62	0	0	0	0	62	20.7
JACKSON, Amarri	3	5	27	6	0	0	38	12.7
ERSKIN, Colby	3	5	29	0	0	0	34	11.3
GORDON, Devin	3	0	32	0	0	0	32	10.7
JENKINS, Mike	3	0	0	0	27	0	27	9.0
PLANCHER, Moise	1	26	0	0	0	0	26	26.0
JULMISTE, Pat	1	23	0	0	0	0	23	23.0
GREEN, S.J.	3	0	22	0	0	0	22	7.3
BLEAKLEY, Will	3	0	22	0	0	0	22	7.3
ELICK, C.	3	0	0	0	15	0	15	5.0
MILLER, Sam	3	0	0	0	13	0	13	4.3
WILLIAMS, Trae	3	0	0	13	0	-2	11	3.7
GREGORY, Grant	1	6	0	0	0	0	6	6.0
TEAM	2	-3	0	0	0	0	-3	-1.5
PETROV, Ilia	1	-9	0	0	0	0	-9	-9.0
Total.....	3	509	716	209	157	-2	1589	529.7
Opponents.....	3	246	538	168	146	62	1160	386.7

USF Overall Defensive Statistics (as of Sep 18, 2006)
All games

DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	-----Tackles-----			TFL/Yds	|-Sacks-|	|---Pass Def---|			|-Fumbles-|	Blkd	
		Solo	Ast	Total			No-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp		QBH	Rcv-Yds	FF	Kick	Saf
95 SELVIE, George	3	13	7	20	5.5-23	2.5-16	.	.	3	.	.	.
59 MOFFITT, Ben	3	9	11	20	3.0-5	.	.	.	3	.	1	.
33 BURNETT, Jeremy	3	14	5	19	1.0-1	.	.	3	.	.	.	.
54 ST. LOUIS, Pat	3	13	4	17	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
51 NICHOLAS, S.	3	9	8	17	1.0-1	.	.	1	3	.	.	.
21 WILLIAMS, Trae	3	9	6	15	.	.	4--2	3	.	.	1	.
94 CRAY, Allen	3	7	7	14	1.5-19	1.5-19	.	.	2	.	.	.
76 CLEBERT, R.	3	6	6	12	2.0-8	1.0-7	.	.	5	1-0	.	.
17 VERPAELE, Danny	3	8	2	10	1.0-1	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
26 ROBERTS, Tyller	3	5	1	6	1.0-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3A MURPHY, Jerome	3	4	2	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4 JENKINS, Mike	3	4	2	6	.	.	.	6	.	.	1	.
49 ROBINSON, Chris	3	5	.	5	1.0-6	1.0-6	.	1	4	.	2	.
96 GEORGE, Woody	3	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.
52 BELLAMY, Treco	3	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.
22 GILLIAM, Ryan	3	3	.	3	1.0-14	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
32 WILLIAMS, C.	3	1	2	3	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
90 BUIE, Jarriett	3	2	1	3	1.0-9	1.0-9	.	.	2	.	.	.
7 GACHETTE, Louis	3	1	2	3	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	.	.
53 MOMPRESIER, B.	3	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
29 ERSKIN, Colby	3	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
93 UHATAFE, Siasosi	3	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
8 GROTHE, Matt	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
48 SMILEY, Joshua	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
25 SMITH, Walt	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
37 ELLICK, C.	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
40 HESS, Houston	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
23 JENKINS, Jamaal	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
80 RANDOLPH, Ean	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
10 DORSEY, Keeley	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total.....	3	129	73	202	19-95	7-48	5--2	20	24	1-0	4	1
Opponents.....	3	134	46	180	20-74	5-27	4-62	10	2	3-0	1	1

USF Game Results (as of Sep 18, 2006)

All games

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall Record	Conference Record	Time	Attend
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Sep 02, 2006	MCNEESE STATE	W 41-10	1- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	3:10	26351
Sep 09, 2006	FIU	W 21-20	2- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	3:15	27114
Sep 16, 2006	at UCF	W 24-17	3- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	3:08	46708

* indicates conference game

USE Team Game-by-Game (as of Sep 18, 2006)
All games

TEAM STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	|---RUSHING---|				|--RECEIVING--|				|-----PASSING-----|				|--KICK RET--|				|--PUNT RET--|				All Purp		
		No.	Yds	TD	Lg	No.	Yds	TD	Lg	Cmp	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Lg	No	Yds	TD	Lg	No	Yds		TD	Lg
Sep 02, 2006	MCNEESE STATE.....	42	286	4	52	14	209	2	64	14-	21-	1	209	2	64	3	53	0	31	4	47	0	32	597
Sep 09, 2006	FIU.....	34	123	1	20	15	174	1	29	15-	28-	2	174	1	29	2	35	0	20	3	129	1	76	461
Sep 16, 2006	at UCF.....	38	100	0	26	22	333	3	51	22-	32-	1	333	3	51	3	69	0	42	2	33	0	28	531
Totals.....		114	509	5	52	51	716	6	64	51-	81-	4	716	6	64	8	157	0	42	9	209	1	76	1589
Opponent.....		102	246	0	19	46	538	2	37	46-	96-	5	538	2	37	9	146	0	23	4	168	2	82	1160

Games played: 3
 Avg per rush: 4.5
 Avg per catch: 14.0
 Pass efficiency: 151.78
 Kick ret avg: 19.6
 Punt ret avg: 23.2
 All purpose avg/game: 529.7
 Total offense avg/gm: 408.3

Date	Opponent	|-----TACKLES-----|			|-SACKS-|		|-FUMBLE-|		Pass Blkd			|-Kicks--XPTS-|					Pts				
		Solo	Ast	Total	TFL	Yds	No	Yds	FF	FR	Yds	Int	Yds	QBH	Brk	Kick		Att	Mad	Run	Rcv	Saf
Sep 02, 2006	MCNEESE STATE.....	48	15	63	6.0	43	1.0	18	1	0-0	2-2	5	8	1	5-5	0	0	0	0	0	41
Sep 09, 2006	FIU.....	40	24	64	9.0	26	3.0	14	1	1-0	1-0	5	3	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	21	
Sep 16, 2006	at UCF.....	41	34	75	4.0	26	3.0	25	2	0-0	2--4	14	9	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	24	
Totals.....		129	73	202	19.0	95	7.0	57	4	1-0	5--2	24	20	1	11-11	0	0	0	0	86	
Opponent.....		134	46	180	20.0	74	5.0	27	1	3-0	4-62	2	10	1	6-5	0	0	0	0	47	

Date	Opponent	|-----PUNTING-----|						|--FIELD GOALS--|				|-----KICKOFFS-----|						
		No	Yds	Avg	Long	Blkd	TB	FC	50+	I20	Att	Made	Lg	Blkd	No	Yds	Avg	TB	OB
Sep 02, 2006	MCNEESE STATE.....	2	57	28.5	32	0	0	0	0	0	1-0	0	0	6	358	59.7	0	0
Sep 09, 2006	FIU.....	5	187	37.4	47	0	0	2	0	3	1-0	0	0	4	245	61.2	3	0
Sep 16, 2006	at UCF.....	5	114	22.8	32	1	0	2	0	2	1-1	30	0	5	328	65.6	3	0
Totals.....		12	358	29.8	47	1	0	4	0	5	3-1	30	0	15	931	62.1	6	0
Opponent.....		17	570	33.5	56	1	2	1	1	4	3-2	22	0	11	622	56.5	1	0

USF Opponent Game-by-Game (as of Sep 18, 2006)
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OPPONENT STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	---RUSHING---				--RECEIVING--				-----PASSING-----				---KICK RET---				--PUNT RET--				All Purp		
		No.	Yds	TD	Lg	No.	Yds	TD	Lg	Cmp	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Lg	No	Yds	TD	Lg	No	Yds		TD	Lg
Sep 02, 2006	MCNEESE STATE.....	37	82	0	12	7	81	0	35	7-	19-	2	81	0	35	6	112	0	23	1	17	0	17	325
Sep 09, 2006	FIU.....	31	24	0	5	20	238	1	27	20-	33-	1	238	1	27	1	7	0	7	1	82	1	82	365
Sep 16, 2006	at UCF.....	34	140	0	19	19	219	1	37	19-	44-	2	219	1	37	2	27	0	14	2	69	1	31	470
Opponent totals.....		102	246	0	19	46	538	2	37	46-	96-	5	538	2	37	9	146	0	23	4	168	2	82	1160
USF.....		114	509	5	52	51	716	6	64	51-	81-	4	716	6	64	8	157	0	42	9	209	1	76	1589

Games played: 3
 Avg per rush: 2.4
 Avg per catch: 11.7
 Pass efficiency: 91.45
 Kick ret avg: 16.2
 Punt ret avg: 42.0
 All purpose avg/game: 386.7
 Total offense avg/gm: 261.3

Date	Opponent	|-----TACKLES-----|			|-SACKS-|		|-FUMBLE-|		Pass Blkd			|-Kicks--XPTS-|					Pts						
		Solo	Ast	Total	TFL	Yds	No	Yds	FF	FR	Yds	Int	Yds	QBH	Brk	Kick		Att	Mad	Run	Rcv	Saf	
Sep 02, 2006	MCNEESE STATE.....	46	13	59	3.0	-8	0.0	-0	0	2	-0	1	-33	0	2	0	1	-1	0	0	0	0	10
Sep 09, 2006	FIU.....	39	13	52	6.0	-25	0.0	-0	0	1	-0	2	-14	0	3	0	3	-2	0	0	0	0	20
Sep 16, 2006	at UCF.....	49	20	69	11.0	-41	5.0	-27	1	0	-0	1	-15	2	5	1	2	-2	0	0	0	0	17
Opponent totals.....		134	46	180	20.0	-74	5.0	-27	1	3	-0	4	-62	2	10	1	6	-5	0	0	0	0	47
USF.....		129	73	202	19.0	-95	7.0	-57	4	1	-0	5	--2	24	20	1	11	-11	0	0	0	0	86

Date	Opponent	|-----PUNTING-----|						|---FIELD GOALS---|				|-----KICKOFFS-----|							
		No	Yds	Avg	Long	Blkd	TB	FC	50+	I20	Att	Made	Lg	Blkd	No	Yds	Avg	TB	OB
Sep 02, 2006	MCNEESE STATE.....	6	173	28.8	46	1	1	0	0	1	1	-1	22	0	3	164	54.7	0	0
Sep 09, 2006	FIU.....	7	225	32.1	40	0	1	0	0	2	0	-0	0	0	4	182	45.5	0	0
Sep 16, 2006	at UCF.....	4	172	43.0	56	0	0	1	1	1	2	-1	22	0	4	276	69.0	1	0
Opponent totals.....		17	570	33.5	56	1	2	1	1	4	3	-2	22	0	11	622	56.5	1	0
USF.....		12	358	29.8	47	1	0	4	0	5	3	-1	30	0	15	931	62.1	6	0

USF Team Game-by-Game Comparison (as of Sep 18, 2006)
All games

Opponent	Score	-----FIRST DOWNS-----				----RUSHING----		-----PASSING-----			--TOTAL OFFENSE--		Return Yards	Turn- Overs
		Total	Rush	Pass	Pen	Number-Yards	Comp-Att-Int	Yards	Plays-Yards	Yards	Yards			
MCNEESE STATE.....	41-10	25/12	17/7	7/3	1/2	42-286 / 37-82	14-21- 1 / 7-19- 2	209/81	63-495 / 56-163	102/162	3/2			
FIU.....	21-20	16/15	7/1	9/10	0/4	34-123 / 31-24	15-28- 2 / 20-33- 1	174/238	62-297 / 64-262	164/103	3/2			
UCF.....	24-17	20/20	5/10	14/9	1/1	38-100 / 34-140	22-32- 1 / 19-44- 2	333/219	70-433 / 78-359	98/111	1/2			
Totals.....	86-47	61/47	29/18	30/22	2/7	114-509 / 102-246	51-81- 4 / 46-96- 5	716/538	195-1225 / 198-784	364/376	7/6			

Note: Game totals are displayed in the format TEAM/OPPONENT for each category

Opponent	3rd Down		4th Down		Time of Possession		TOP Margin	Avg Yds/Rush	Avg Yds/Pass	Avg Yds/Play	Punting		----PENALTIES----	
	Conversions		Conversions								Number-Avg	No-Yds	No-Yds	
MCNEESE STATE.....	5-9 / 3-12		0-1 / 1-2		30:11 / 29:49	0:22	6.8/2.2	10.0/4.3	7.9/2.9	2-28.5 / 6-28.8	10-82 / 7-60			
FIU.....	4-12 / 5-16		1-2 / 0-2		27:16 / 32:44	-5:28	3.6/0.8	6.2/7.2	4.8/4.1	5-37.4 / 7-32.1	8-92 / 8-60			
UCF.....	7-15 / 9-18		0-1 / 2-3		32:02 / 27:58	4:04	2.6/4.1	10.4/5.0	6.2/4.6	5-22.8 / 4-43.0	5-48 / 7-60			
Totals.....	16-36 / 17-46		1-4 / 3-7		89:29 / 90:31	-1:02	4.5/2.4	8.8/5.6	6.3/4.0	12-29.8 / 17-33.5	23-222 / 22-180			

Note: Game totals are displayed in the format TEAM/OPPONENT for each category

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All games

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall Record	Conference Record	Time	Attend
Sep 02, 2006	MCNEESE STATE	W 41-10	1- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	3:10	26351
Sep 09, 2006	FIU	W 21-20	2- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	3:15	27114
Sep 16, 2006	at UCF	W 24-17	3- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	3:08	46708

* indicates conference game

Opponent	Score	-----FIRST DOWNS-----				---RUSHING---		-----PASSING-----			--TOTAL OFFENSE--		Return Yards	Turn-Overs
		Total	Rush	Pass	Pen	Number-Yards	Comp-Att-Int	Yards	Plays-Yards	Plays-Yards				
MCNEESE STATE.....	41-10	25/12	17/7	7/3	1/2	42-286 / 37-82	14-21- 1 / 7-19- 2	209/81	63-495 / 56-163	102/162	3/2			
FIU.....	21-20	16/15	7/1	9/10	0/4	34-123 / 31-24	15-28- 2 / 20-33- 1	174/238	62-297 / 64-262	164/103	3/2			
UCF.....	24-17	20/20	5/10	14/9	1/1	38-100 / 34-140	22-32- 1 / 19-44- 2	333/219	70-433 / 78-359	98/111	1/2			
Totals.....	86-47	61/47	29/18	30/22	2/7	114-509 /102-246	51-81- 4 / 46-96- 5	716/538	195-1225/ 198-784	364/376	7/6			

Note: Game totals are displayed in the format TEAM/OPPONENT for each category

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INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes.....	21	GROTHER, Matt at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Yards Rushing.....	82	GROTHER, Matt vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
TD Rushes.....	2	SMITH, Walt vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
Long Rush.....	52	DORSEY, Keeley vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
Pass attempts.....	31	GROTHER, Matt at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Pass completions....	21	GROTHER, Matt at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Yards Passing.....	302	GROTHER, Matt at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
TD Passes.....	3	GROTHER, Matt at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Long Pass.....	64	GROTHER, Matt vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
Receptions.....	6	JOHNSON, Taurus vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Yards Receiving.....	126	RANDOLPH, Ean at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
TD Receptions.....	1	EDWARDS, Marcus vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
		RANDOLPH, Ean vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
		JOHNSON, Taurus vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
		EDWARDS, Marcus at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
		WILLIAMS, B. at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
		RANDOLPH, Ean at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Long Reception.....	64	HILL, Cedric vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
Field Goals.....	1	BENZER, Mike at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Long Field Goal.....	30	BENZER, Mike at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Punts.....	5	ALVARADO, D. vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Punting Avg.....	37.4	ALVARADO, D. vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Long Punt.....	47	ALVARADO, D. vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Long Punt Return....	76	RANDOLPH, Ean vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Long Kickoff Return.	42	JOHNSON, Taurus at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Tackles.....	9	NICHOLAS, S. vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
		MOFFITT, Ben vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
		SELVIE, George vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
		BURNETT, Jeremy at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
		CRAY, Allen at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Sacks.....	2.0	SELVIE, George vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Tackles For Loss....	5.0	SELVIE, George vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Interceptions.....	2	WILLIAMS, Trae at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)

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TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes.....	42	vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
Yards Rushing.....	286	vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
Yards Per Rush.....	6.8	vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
TD Rushes.....	4	vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
Pass attempts.....	32	at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Pass completions....	22	at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Yards Passing.....	333	at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Yards Per Pass.....	10.4	at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
TD Passes.....	3	at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Total Plays.....	70	at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Total Offense.....	495	vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
Yards Per Play.....	7.9	vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
Points.....	41	vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
Sacks By.....	3	vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006) at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
First Downs.....	25	vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
Penalties.....	10	vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
Penalty Yards.....	92	vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Turnovers.....	3	vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006) vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Interceptions By....	2	vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006) at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)

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OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes.....	20	PETERS, Jason, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Yards Rushing.....	98	PETERS, Jason, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
TD Rushes.....	0	
Long Rush.....	19	MOFFETT, Steven, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Pass attempts.....	44	MOFFETT, Steven, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Pass completions....	20	Padrick, Josh, vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Yards Passing.....	238	Padrick, Josh, vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
TD Passes.....	1	Padrick, Josh, vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
		MOFFETT, Steven, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Long Pass.....	37	MOFFETT, Steven, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Receptions.....	12	WALKER, Mike, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Yards Receiving.....	133	WALKER, Mike, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
TD Receptions.....	1	Smith, Samuel, vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
		THORNTON, W., at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Long Reception.....	37	THORNTON, W., at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Field Goals.....	1	Bercegeay, Blak, vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
		TORRES, Michael, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Long Field Goal.....	22	Bercegeay, Blak, vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
		TORRES, Michael, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Punts.....	7	Cook, Chris, vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Punting Avg.....	43.0	HORNE, Aaron, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Long Punt.....	56	HORNE, Aaron, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Long Punt Return....	82	Williams, Chand, vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Long Kickoff Return.	23	Lawrence, Quint, vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
Tackles.....	8	Juneau, Jamelle, vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
		DOZIER, Randy, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Sacks.....	2.0	DOUZABLE, Leger, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Tackles For Loss....	4.0	DOUZABLE, Leger, at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Interceptions.....	1	Mason, Bryant, vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
		Mitchell, Rober, vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
		Singleton, Lion, vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
		RASHAD, S., at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)

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OPPONENT TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes.....	37	vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
Yards Rushing.....	140	at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Yards Per Rush.....	4.1	at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
TD Rushes.....	0	
Pass attempts.....	44	at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Pass completions....	20	vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Yards Passing.....	238	vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Yards Per Pass.....	7.2	vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
TD Passes.....	1	vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
		at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Total Plays.....	78	at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Total Offense.....	359	at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Yards Per Play.....	4.6	at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Points.....	20	vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Sacks By.....	5	at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
First Downs.....	20	at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Penalties.....	8	vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
Penalty Yards.....	60	vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
		vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
		at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Turnovers.....	2	vs McNeese State (Sep 02, 2006)
		vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)
		at UCF (Sep 16, 2006)
Interceptions By....	2	vs FIU (Sep 09, 2006)

USF Red-Zone Results (as of Sep 18, 2006)
All games

USF Inside Opponent Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times	Times	Total	Rush		Pass	FGs	---- Failed to score inside RZ ----					
			In RZ	Scored	Pts	TDs	TDs	TDs	Made	FGA	Downs	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
Sep 02	McNeese State.....	W 41-10	6	3	21	3	2	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
Sep 09	FIU.....	W 21-20	3	1	7	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Sep 16	at UCF.....	W 24-17	4	3	17	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Totals			13	7	45	6	3	3	1	2	0	2	1	1	0
7 of 13 (53.8%)															

Opponents Inside USF Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times	Times	Total	Rush		Pass	FGs	---- Failed to score inside RZ ----					
			In RZ	Scored	Pts	TDs	TDs	TDs	Made	FGA	Downs	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
Sep 02	McNeese State.....	W 41-10	1	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 09	FIU.....	W 21-20	2	1	7	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Sep 16	at UCF.....	W 24-17	3	1	3	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Totals			6	3	13	1	0	1	2	1	2	0	0	0	0
3 of 6 (50.0%)															

USF By-Quarter Statistics (as of Sep 18, 2006)
All games

3rd-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	OT	Qtr
Sep 02	McNeese State.....	W 41-10	5-9 55.6%	1-3 33.3%	3-5 60.0%	0-0 0.0%	1-1 100.0%		
Sep 09	FIU.....	W 21-20	4-12 33.3%	1-4 25.0%	0-1 0.0%	2-3 66.7%	1-4 25.0%		
Sep 16	at UCF.....	W 24-17	7-15 46.7%	1-2 50.0%	2-6 33.3%	2-4 50.0%	2-3 66.7%		
	USF		16-36 44.4%	3-9 33.3%	5-12 41.7%	4-7 57.1%	4-8 50.0%	0-0	0.0%
	Opponents		17-46 37.0%	2-7 28.6%	5-12 41.7%	7-14 50.0%	3-13 23.1%	0-0	0.0%

4th-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	OT	Qtr
Sep 02	McNeese State.....	W 41-10	0-1 0.0%	0-1 0.0%	0-0 0.0%	0-0 0.0%	0-0 0.0%		
Sep 09	FIU.....	W 21-20	1-2 50.0%	0-0 0.0%	0-0 0.0%	0-0 0.0%	1-2 50.0%		
Sep 16	at UCF.....	W 24-17	0-1 0.0%	0-0 0.0%	0-1 0.0%	0-0 0.0%	0-0 0.0%		
	USF		1-4 25.0%	0-1 0.0%	0-1 0.0%	0-0 0.0%	1-2 50.0%	0-0	0.0%
	Opponents		3-7 42.9%	1-1 100.0%	1-1 100.0%	0-0 0.0%	1-5 20.0%	0-0	0.0%

Time of Possession

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	OT	Qtr
Sep 02	McNeese State.....	W 41-10	30:11	11:30	7:31	3:17	7:53		
Sep 09	FIU.....	W 21-20	27:16	9:24	4:08	6:07	7:37		
Sep 16	at UCF.....	W 24-17	32:02	6:46	6:25	9:41	9:10		
	USF	Total	89:29	27:40	18:04	19:05	24:40	0:00	
		Avg.	29:49	9:13	6:01	6:21	8:13	0:00	
	Opponents	Total	90:31	17:20	26:56	25:55	20:20	0:00	
		Avg.	30:10	5:46	8:58	8:38	6:46	0:00	