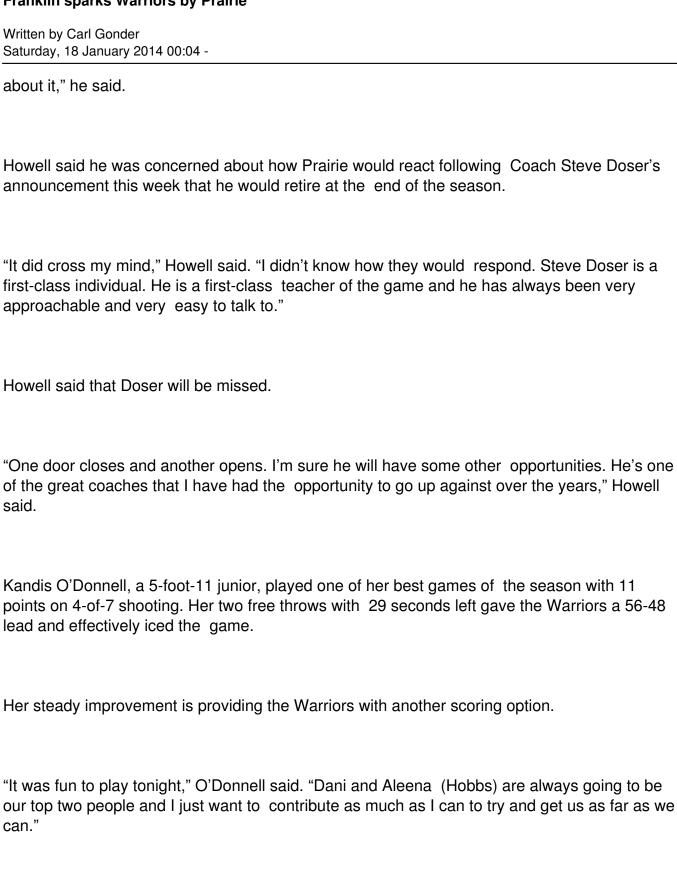


Warrior Coach Frank Howell calls Franklin one of the best players he has ever had. "No doubt

time."



"When they are covered, I am open," she said. "They can't cover all three of us most of the

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O'Donnell said the impressive 81-68 victory at Waterloo West on Tuesday helped to create some confidence in the Warrior camp. "We knew that we could beat some of the best teams," O'Donnell said.

Both Cyerra Hutchins, the Prairie Hawks' leading scorer at 15 points a game, and Bradley University recruit Madison Dellamuth were in foul trouble most of the game. Hutchins had a quiet 13 points and Dellamuth added 11 points and four steals.

Prairie boss Doser said that Franklin was the difference-maker.

"She hurt us and took over the game at the end," he said. "I like the fact that she saw what was needed and took over. She is a real confident player and I like that."

Doser said he didn't think the announcement of his decision to step down as head coach had any impact on the game.

"We had a good discussion about it and the kids are working their tails off and that is all we can ask," he said. "I think they understand that my decision is based on what is best for me and my family at this point in time in my life."

Hobbs added 11 points and led the Warriors with eight rebounds. Makenzie Stoffer had seven boards for the Hawks.

Washington improved to 9-3 overall. Prairie dropped to 6-6. The outing was a non-conference affair, but a rematch Feb. 7 will count in the conference standings.

Washington led by as many as 11 points in the second half and won the third quarter 14-7 in a big momentum swing as the Hawks got into deep foul trouble.

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Leading 37-33 after three sessions, the Warriors padded their lead and hit seven free throws in the final 90 seconds.

Washington hosts Moline, III. Saturday. Prairie travels to Waterloo West next Friday.

PRAIRIE (52) Taylor Moenk 0 0-0 0, Cyerra Hutchins 5 3-3 13, Maddie Adams 0 0-0 0, Emilie Rotter 2 1-2 5, Cassidy Kuehl 0 0-0 0, Linsey Altenhofen 2 0-0 5, Olivia Usher 3 0-0 7, Savanna Hutchins 0 0-0 0, Madison Dellamuth 3 3-5 11, Emily Machula 0 0-0 0, Chrisandra Freeman 0 0-0 0, Katherine Pieper 0 0-0 0, Makenzie Stoffer 2 3-5 7, Kaytlyn Oellrich 0 0-0 0. Totals 15 10-15 52.

WASHINGTON (59) Joniqua Clark 0 0-2 0, Aleena Hobbs 3 5-6 11, Jasmyne Jones 1 0-0 3, Lilly Hartman 0 0-0 0, Danielle Franklin 7 10-11 27, MJ Kamin 0 0-0 0, Anne Visser 2 2-4 7, Kandis O'Donnell 4 3-4 11, Allie Semrau 0 0-0 0, Callie Cook 0 0-0 0, Courtney Squires 0 0-0 0, Kiki West-Doyle 0 0-0 0, Sophie Ochs 0 0-0 0. Totals 17 20-27 59.

Halftime - Prairie 26, Washington 23. 3-point shooting – Washington 5 (Jones 1, Visser 1, Franklin 3), Prairie 4 (Usher 1, Altenhofen 1, Dellamuth 2).