# Boss, McLeroy on all-conference team

## McLendon, Russell garner honorable mention honors

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**MURFREESBORO, Tenn.** - Middle Tennessee's Colin Boss, Omar McLendon, Brandon McLeroy, and Eric Russell were honored today as the All-Sun Belt Conference teams were announced by the league office. Voting was done by the head coaches and selected media representatives. Offensive linemen Boss and McLeroy were on the first and second team, respectively, while McLendon and Russell were honorable mention picks. All are seniors except for McLendon, who is a junior. Boss, who was on the Rimington Watch List, made the first team after anchoring a Blue Raider line that led the nation in fewest sacks allowed. Boss, who did not allow a sack all year and totaled 40 knockdowns, is just the third offensive lineman to garner first team honors since MT joined the SBC in 2001. The Temple Terrace, FL, native finished his career with 27 starts. McLeroy earned second team honors despite missing three games late in the year with an injury. The Spring City, TN, product played 703 snaps in 2011 and did not allow a sack while leading the team with 62 knockdowns. McLeroy, who did not have a grade below 81 percent all season, started 37 games over his career. Honorable Mention honors went to McLendon and Russell. McLendon led all linemen with a career-best 54 tackles to go with five hurries and four pass breakups. Russell, a two-time SBC Defensive Player of the Week winner, led the Blue Raiders in tackles with 88 and finished second on the team with 7.0 TFLs. Twenty-three First Team honors have occurred under Rick Stockstill in six years. **2011 ALL-SUN BELT**

**First Team All-Sun Belt Conference Offense**

Ryan Aplin (Arkansas State, Jr., QB)
Lance Dunbar (North Texas, Sr., RB)
Bobby Rainey (WKU, Sr., RB)
Dwayne Frampton (Arkansas State, Sr., WR)
T.Y. Hilton (FIU, Sr., WR)
Javone Lawson (Louisiana-Lafayette, WR, Jr.)
Ladarius Green (Louisiana-Lafayette, TE, Sr.)
Tom Castilaw (Arkansas State, Sr., OL)
Colin Boss (Middle Tennessee, r-Sr., OL)
Matt Tomlinson (North Texas, Sr., OL)
Wes Jeffries (WKU, Sr., OL)
James Brown (Troy, Sr., OL)

**First Team All-Sun Belt Conference Defense**

Brandon Joiner (Arkansas State, Sr., DL)
Bernard Smith (Louisiana-Lafayette, DL, Sr.)
Ken Dorsey (Louisiana-Monroe, Sr., DL)
Jonathan Massaquoi (Troy, Jr., DL)
Demario Davis (Arkansas State, Sr., LB)
Lance Kelley (Louisiana-Lafayette, Sr., LB)
Andrew Jackson (WKU, So., LB)
Darryl Feemster (Arkansas State, Sr., DB)
Kelcie McCray (Arkansas State, Sr., DB)
Dwight “Bill” Bentley (Louisiana-Lafayette, DB, Sr.)
Darius Prelow (Louisiana-Monroe, Sr., DB)

**First Team All-Sun Belt Conference Special Teams**

Jack Griffin (FIU, Jr., PK)
Will Atterberry (North Texas, Jr., P)
T.Y. Hilton (FIU, Sr., Return Specialist)
T.Y. Hilton (FIU, Sr., All Purpose)

**Second Team All-Sun Belt Conference Offense**

Blaine Gautier (Louisiana-Lafayette, QB, Jr.)
Alfred Morris (Florida Atlantic, Sr., RB)
Kedrick Rhodes (FIU, So., RB)
Josh Jarboe (Arkansas State, Jr., WR)
Brent Leonard (Louisiana-Monroe, Jr., WR)
Eric Thomas (Troy, So., WR)
Jack Doyle (WKU, Jr., TE)
Delano Moore (Arkansas State, Sr., OL)
Caylin Hauptmann (FIU, R-Jr., OL)
Leonardo Bates (Louisiana-Lafayette, OL, Jr.)
Brandon McLeroy (Middle Tennessee, Sr., OL)
Adam Smith (WKU, Jr., OL)

**Second Team All-Sun Belt Conference Defense**

Dorvus Woods (Arkansas State, Sr., DL)
Tourek Williams (FIU, Jr., DL)
Brandon Akpunku (North Texas, Sr., DL)
Quanterus Smith (WKU, Jr., DL)

Nathan Herrold (Arkansas State, Jr., LB)
Winston Fraser (FIU, r-Jr., LB)
Zachary Orr (North Texas, So., LB)
Darron Edwards (Arkansas State, Sr., DB)
Jonathan Cyprien (FIU, Jr., DB)
Brynden Trawick (Troy, Jr., DB)
Derrius Brooks (WKU, Sr., DB)

**Second Team All-Sun Belt Conference Special Teams**

Brett Baer (Louisiana-Lafayette, Jr., PK)
Brett Baer (Louisiana-Lafayette, Jr., P)
Luther Ambrose (ULM, Sr., Return Specialist)
Dwayne Frampton (Arkansas State, Sr., All Purpose)

**Player of the Year**

Ryan Aplin (Arkansas State, Jr., QB)

**Offensive Player of the Year**

Bobby Rainey (WKU, Sr., RB)

**Defensive Player of the Year**

Brandon Joiner (Arkansas State, Sr., DL)

**Freshman of the Year**

Alonzo Harris (Louisiana-Lafayette, RB, Fr.)

Coach of the Year

Hugh Freeze, Arkansas State

**Honorable Mention All-Conference**

Taylor Stockemer (Arkansas State, Jr., WR); Neely Sullivent (Arkansas State, Sr., P); Sam McRoy (Florida Atlantic, Sr., OL); Randell Johnson (Florida Atlantic, So., LB); Rupert Bryan (FIU, Jr., OL); James Jones (FIU, Sr., DL); Devon Lewis-Buchanan (Louisiana-Lafayette, LB, Sr.); Melvin White (Louisiana-Lafayette, DB, Sr.); Omar McLendon (Middle Tennessee, Jr., DL); Eric Russell (Middle Tennessee, Sr., DB/RS); Troy Evans (ULM, Sr., DL); Jason Edwards (ULM, Sr., LB); Cyril Lemon (North Texas, Fr., OL); Brelan Chancellor (North Texas, So., AP); Tony Davis (Troy, Jr., DL); Kanorris Davis (Troy, Jr., LB); Jared Clendenin (WKU, Sr., DL); Bo Adebayo (WKU, Sr., DL)

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