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From the desk of Steve Hawkins:

Dear Bronco Hoop Fans,

I trust that this note finds you healthy and happy. Because of your generous support, our Program has been able to continue to improve in many areas. I feel that the single most important part of my job is to help young men develop to the point where they can go out into the world after their Bronco career ends and be equipped to thrive in life after the basketball stops bouncing. In order for this to happen, our student-athletes need to feel that their experience here as a Bronco was a positive one. The first-class experience that we provide our players is the direct result of your financial and emotional support. Our Program will continue to pursue excellence in all areas. To that end, we have to be diligent in fostering improvements in order to stay competitive in attracting the best possible recruits to be a part of our Bronco Basketball Family. Recruiting is the lifeblood of our Program. We need good players to compete at the highest level. As a famous coach once said, "It is impossible to win the Kentucky Derby with a donkey."

I am very excited about the 2018-19 season. Our non-conference schedule will challenge us to grow as a team and better prepare us for our always tough Mid-American Conference opponents. This season's version of the Broncos will return a strong core of student-athletes who have seen game minutes during past seasons, as well as six talented and skilled newcomers. This team will again be representative of our longstanding tradition of excellence on the court and in the classroom. I am confident that this group of student-athletes will compete relentlessly to achieve success, and I believe that we will again be competing for predominance in the MAC West Division as well as for an overall MAC Championship.

Though my excitement for the upcoming season is palpable, it is also with great pride that I look upon our achievements of the past fifteen seasons during which I have been head coach. We have won eight West Division titles during that time and have won two overall MAC regular season and tournament titles. We have also competed in all four of the post-season tournaments (NCAA, NIT, CIT and CBI). In addition, we have won at least twenty games in four of the last eight seasons.

We have a storied history of achieving in the classroom as well. Our graduation rate is over 95%. Additionally, of the ninety-four players to be named Academic All-MAC/Distinguished Scholar-Athletes in the past thirteen years, twenty-four of them have been Broncos. Yes, we have had one-fourth of the student-athletes who have received what I believe is the most important honor given by the MAC. We are what a Program is supposed to be: winners both on and off the court.

As we embark upon a new season, our overriding goal continues to be the achieving of excellence. We can only take our program to the next level by having a shared partnership with the Fast Break Club. To help promote our program, we need your voices and enthusiasm at University Arena, as well as in the community. We need your financial assistance to ensure that we have a first-class program that all fans, alumni and recruits will be drawn to. Above all, we need your involvement and continued friendship. It is my hope that you will join us and helps us strive to sustain the excellence that our program has achieved.

Fight on!!

Steve Hawkins, Head Men's Basketball Coach

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The Fast Break Club (FBC) is a booster organization whose members are committed to helping the Western Michigan men's basketball team continuously be one of the most competitive programs in the Mid-American Conference, in the Midwest, and on a national level.

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FAST BREAK CLUB

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