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President John M. Dunn  
June 19, 2017

- Good evening. It's wonderful to be here with all of you who are part of this wonderful organization.
  
- My role is to introduce to you someone whose name may already be well known. And if it is not yet, I guarantee it will be in the coming months and years. I'm speaking of our new head football coach, who has been with us in his new role only since January. But his ties with the Broncos and the Kalamazoo community are longstanding.
  
- Tim Lester has been part of the Bronco family for more than two decades. The high school standout came here first from his home in Wheaton, Ill., in 1996 to play football as a student-athlete. He played until 1999, completing his Bronco quarterback career with 17 school records and ranked fourth all time in NCAA Division I for passing yards and sixth in touchdowns.
  
- After his Hall-of-Fame Bronco football career and earning a bachelor's degree in mathematics, Tim turned to collegiate coaching. His stops along the way have included the head coach position with Division II St. Joseph's College; quarterback coach for two seasons back at his alma mater, WMU; a season with Division III North Central College; five seasons with the Elmhurst College Bluejays, taking the team to a conference championship and winning coach-of-the-year honors; a role as quarterbacks coach and recruiting coordinator and then offensive coordinator at Syracuse; and, finally, a position as quarterbacks coach at Purdue for two seasons before returning to WMU.

- All that should tell you that Tim is a seasoned professional with a wealth of experience and years of intense history with the Broncos. He truly knows Western Michigan University, the Kalamazoo community and the Bronco culture. He is ready to pick up where last year's team left off and keep moving forward. I appreciate the fact that he's known for 20 years that it's always a great day to be a Bronco.

- Tim Lester has come home. And he's come here tonight to share with you just what it feels like to be home and ready to take on the kind of challenges only found in FBS Division I football. Ladies and gentlemen, Broncos, there's a new coach in town and it is my pleasure to introduce him to you. Please join me in welcoming Bronco Head Football Coach Tim Lester.