



PRE-DRAFT WORKOUTS - JUNE 24, 2008

**Trent Plaisted, Steven Hill, and
Walt Perrin.**

Trent Plaisted – Forward (Brigham Young)

On the prospect of being drafted to the Jazz

“If the Jazz were to draft me I would be honored. I would come here and do whatever they asked me.”

On his strengths

“Running the floor and athleticism. I am raw talent. There is no question about that. I’ve never proclaimed myself to be a jump shooting Dirk Nowitzki type of player. That’s not my strength at this time. I do have some things you can’t teach. That’s my athleticism and my ability to run the floor.”

On the anticipation leading up to the Draft

“I’m relaxed. What can I do about it now? Going into the process it was kind of nerve racking, but now it’s over. There is no going back. I am excited about it.”

On the decision to enter the Draft

“I have no second thoughts whatsoever. BYU is a great place and it treated me really well. I love the coaches, I love my teammates, and everyone I was associated with. This is the right decision for me at this time.”

On the best advice he has received

“Do what you do. You’re not going to come into these workouts and all of a sudden do something that you have never been able to do your whole entire career. I am a guy that runs the floor well, I hustle, and I use my athleticism. You’ve got to play to your strength, don’t try to be a different player than you are.”

Steven Hill – Center (Arkansas)

On the workout

“It was good. I came in here looking forward to it. Turned out it was just me and Trent (Plaisted) so we got a good sweat and a good workout. They are all basically the same. This one was just different because there were only two guys. It’s a little bit harder because of the altitude. It was a fun workout. Coach (Sloan) was involved which was a nice thing and very encouraging. I really enjoyed it.”

On playing with Ronnie Brewer in college and if he has received any advice from the guard

“It was great. I know he is one of your guys now. I loved it. I wish he had stuck around for his senior year. He was a great player. He was the best player on our team in college. I’ve talked to him a little bit. He says you have to be in your best shape physically of your entire life. It turns into a job. It turns into something that you have to do day in and day out. There are no off days. You have to put yourself into it.”

On his strengths and weaknesses

“In college I was pretty much just a defensive guy. I am pretty athletic for a big man. I run the floor well, block a lot of shots, and rebound really well. I am very good at that end of the floor. Offensively kind of limited a little bit, but I am still working on those skills.”

Walt Perrin – Vice President of Player Personnel

On Trent Plaisted

"He struggled a little bit today physically, conditioning wise, and I think he might have been a little sick. We have to look at that factor. I think he needs to also work on his total game. He's got to work on being able to step out and shoot some jump shots. He's got to work on continual improvement in his post up game. He's got to get stronger. He has to learn to move his feet better defensively. He's got to get a perimeter game. He's got to learn to step out and knock down a 12 to 15 foot jumpshot because if he's in our league and our level it's going to be tough for him to be on the post all the time."

On Trent Plaisted being a second round pick

"I don't know where he goes right now. If he's going to be a solid second round pick, I think he is. Is he available for us at 44, he'd probably be there. Will we take him, I don't know. We have not really prioritized the second rounders yet. We will probably do that in the next day or two."

On the advantage of Trent going back to college

"He'd gain maturity. He'd gain increased abilities. He'd gain being the guy on the team maybe getting more touches inside. (He would be) able to improve his game that way."

On the impact of a second round pick

"I don't know how much a first rounder is going to come in and help this team with the way we are structured and with the players we have coming back. A second rounder would have a tough time making our team."