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**(Neb.)-Last Second Layup Gives Chadron State 82-81 Win**



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SPEARFISH, S.D.-Guard Josiah Lee caught an inbounds pass with four seconds remaining and raced nearly the length of the court for a layup to give the Chadron State Eagles a rousing 82-81 win over Black Hills State here Thursday night in a Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference basketball game.

The Eagles trailed 58-41 with 13 and a half minutes remaining before staging their winning rally while shooting 64 percent (16-25) from the field in the second half. Chadron State never led in the half until Lee used his speed to get the game-winner.

The Eagles' surge really took hold around the five-minute mark when they still trailed 71-61. Twice, a CSC player missed a free throw, only to have a teammate grab the rebound and get a put-back.

A 3-pointer by senior guard David Downey with 1:42 to play cut the Black Hills State lead to 75-74. Also during the stretch run, Kendrick Holliman scored on a layup, Zac Barga sank a pair of free throws and Holliman made one of two free shots.

"It was a huge win for us," said CSC coach Brent Barga. "We found a way to grind it out. We were pretty lifeless early in the second half when they built their big lead, but I'm proud how we never gave up and battled back."

Downey led the Eagles with 16 points, including four of six from 3-point range. Barga added 14 points and Lee finished with 12. Eight other CSC players also scored.

For the game, CSC, now 6-7 overall and 3-6 in the RMAC, shot 55.8 percent (29-52) from the field, including seven of 17 from 3-point range. The Eagles also were 17-25 from the free throw line, including 13 of 19 in the second half.

Black Hills, now 5-7 and 3-6, shot 45.6 percent (26-57), but was only 3 of 20 from behind the arc. The Yellow Jackets were 26-34 from the free throw line, including 17 of 21 in the first half when they took a 35-33 lead.

Five Jackets scored in double figures, led by senior guard Tommy Earl with 20 points. Both Cameron Anderson and Myles Henry scored 14, Riley Ryan 11 and Yoshio Allen 10.