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(Neb.)-Wolves Edge CSC Wrestlers On Criteria

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ABERDEEN, S.D—The score was deadlocked at 20-20 when the Chadron State and Northern State dual Saturday night ended after each team had won five matches. However, the host Wolves got the victory via criteria, 21-20.

The outcomes in the first and last matches made the difference. In the opener, Northern State's 125 pounder Anthony Bruno, took a 15-0 technical fall and final match saw defending two-time NCAA Division II national champion, Matt Meuleners, pin the Eagles' Michael Hill.

This was the first time Hill, who is now 14-4 for the season, has been pinned this season.

Chadron State earned bonus points in three of its matches, but the criteria favors the team with the most pins and technical falls. The Eagles got a pin from Leandro Arias at 141 points, but no one from CSC managed a technical fall.

Besides Arias' pin, the Eagles' bonus points came on major decisions. Perry McAfee earned one by a 12-3 score at 133 pounds and Chris Leak managed the second by getting some late back points to win 11-2 at 197 pounds.

Chadron State's other wins came at 174 pounds, where Tyler Smart won a 6-5 decision, and at 184, where Jordan Debus was a 10-7 winner.

CSC coach Brett Hunter was particularly pleased with Smart's performance. Smart is a 165-pounder who moved up a weight class when the normal starter at 174, Bret Klopp, reinjured a knee during the dual with Dickinson State on Wednesday night.

The Eagles will be idle until Jan. 4 and 5, when they will wrestle five duals in the Phoenix area.

125—Anthony Bruno, NSU, tech. fall Jace Johnson, 15-0.

133—Perry McAfee, CSC, major dec. Tyler Frost, 12-3.

141—Leandro Arias, CSC, pinned Ian Muirhead, 6:50.

149—Gavin Larsen, NSU, dec. Jesse Larralde, 8-4.

157—Neil Sell, NSU, dec. Bryce Wiedeman, 7-3.
165—Blake Lundren, NSU, dec. Dylan Fors, 3-1.
174—Tyler Smart, CSC, dec. Anthony Navarro, 6-5.
184—Jordan Debus, CSC, dec. Chad Gibson, 10-7.
197—Chris Leak, CSC, major dec. Baker Haar, 11-2.
Hwt—Matt Meuleners, NSU, pinned Michael Hill 4:59.