Tiani Reeves wins pair of golds and a silver at state track meet.

Gothenburg's Tiani Reeves continued to find success at the state track meet leading the Swedes to a sixth place finish in the Class B standings.

Reeves, a junior, claimed two gold medals and a silver, adding to her previous success at the state meet. She has scored 68 points individually in three years of competition at state.

Gothenburg finished with 34 points for sixth place. Grand Island Northwest earned the team championship edging York for the crown, 52-51.

Reeves fell short breaking 19 feet while winning the long jump at 18-6.

"She had some good jumps," coach Reeves said. "I'm sure she wishes the last couple would have been on the board."

The scratches came on jumps that appeared in excess of 19 feet.

"In three years she's got two firsts and a second," Steve Reeves said. "You can't ask for much better than that."

Tiani also found success in the triple jump. The win came easily and just missed her school record by 1 1/2 inches.

“She beat the field by about three feet,” the coach said. “Her best jump was the first jump of the finals.”

“Coach Kurtis Lathrop adjusted a few things prior to the finals,” Steve Reeves said. “She had a 37-foot jump in the prelims. She jumped 38-11 on the first jump of the finals.”

For the second year in a row, Reeves had a tough battle in the 200 finals. And for the second year in a row, she finished behind Amanda Young of Gretna, this time for second place.

“The girl from Gretna is really a strong runner and ran a great race in the finals,” Steve Reeves said. “Other than the Gretna girl, (Tiani) beat the field.”

Reeves’ performances didn’t dominate just Class B. Both her long jump and triple jump placed second when compared to all classes and her 200 time ranked fifth all-class.

Aryn Meisinger was just one height away from her personal best while placing sixth in the pole vault at 9-10.

“Aryn is a competitor and is going to give you what she’s got,” Reeves said. “For her, down there the first time, getting a medal I thought she competed very, very well.”

Reeves and Meisinger were part of the 1600 relay that placed sixth with a time of 4:07.49. Joining them were Andie Geiken and Regan Geiken.

Sophomore Blaire Gibbens finished just out of the medals with a tie for ninth in the high jump at

4-10.

“She’s kind of a student of the event,” Reeves said. “I’m really proud of the way she’s competed for us all year.

“Next year, she’s got the capability of being a five-foot jumper consistently right off the bat. There’s a lot of good things to come from Blaire down the road.”

The Geiken sisters also competed in the open 400 but did not qualify for the finals.

“I thought Regan competed very, very well in both her races at state,” Reeves said. “She’s going to be sorely missed for her outcomes and her leadership.”

The coach said that freshman Andie Geiken handled her first experience at state very well.

“She’s come a long way this year both physically and being able to understand her role,” he said. “She’s going to be a very valuable person for us in the years to come.”