In a fast-paced game it's usually the team getting the most opportunities who comes out on the winning end.

Medicine Valley used multiple second and third attempts on offense to run away with a 68-48 win over the Brady boys.

"We didn't start really well in the first, and in the second quarter they took us out of the game with 19 points," head coach Dave Jacobs said.

Turnovers and converted baskets were catalyst for the Raiders who went on a 9-2 run to end the first period with a 16-10 lead.

Brady stuck to a zone defense which contained the Raiders for nearly half of the second quarter. Leading 22-13 with under five minutes left, fast-break Raider baskets and offensive rebounds contributed to a 13-5 run to end the half.

"We didn't do a very good job against them on the offensive boards," Jacobs said.

Offensively, Troy Lusk was effective getting the ball into the lane and finishing or passing, Jacobs said.

"He kind of carried us in the first half."

Jacobs said he challenged his team at halftime to see who would step up and play.

“Some kids responded in our man-to-man defense,” Jacobs said. “But at that point it was a little too late.”

Medicine Valley put up 18 points in the third frame to take a 53-33 advantage into the final stanza.

The Eagles equalled the Raiders scoring 15-15 in the last eight minutes but that didn’t close the margin and Medicine Valley exited victorious.

Lusk and Nate Sitorius fueled the Eagles’ offense with 14 and 13 points, respectively, but that’s what teams expect.

“We have to get more scoring from other people and areas,” Jacobs said. “We can’t rely on one or two guys. We have to be more team oriented.”

That’s the mindset in practice leading up to Sandhills/Thedford Friday, he said.

“We’ll have them scrimmage in practice to make it more game-like,” Jacobs said.

He also emphasized the players have to perform when they are tired and continue moving on offense instead of watching the ball.

Brady is matched up against Maxwell in a subdistrict game Monday at 7 p.m. in Gothenburg.

Jacobs said his players need to get comfortable in playing while they are tired and continue to work on their offense.

Scoring by quarters:

Med. Valley. 16191815—68

Brady 1081515—48

EAGLE SCORING: Troy Lusk 14, Nate Sitorius 13, Chase Viter 6, Eric Roe 4, Alec TroBaugh 4, Matt Neimann 3, Jon Taullie 2, Austin Widick 2.

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