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STORM LAKE - The Coe men battled back from a 16-point deficit against Buena Vista, but lost their seventh straight game, 80-74, Wednesday night in Iowa Conference basketball.

Andrew Wirth scored 23 points to pace the Kohawks (9-11, 1-8).

Cole Darrow scored 24 points to lead Buena Vista (11-9, 6-3).

Coe trailed by 66-50 with 9:55 left in the game.

Wirth dropped in two free throws and nailed a 3-pointer, and Matt Daoust drained two treys to spark a 15-2 Coe run that cut Buena Vista's lead to 68-65 with 6:15 to play.

Wirth's layup with 34 seconds to play pulled the Kohawks within 76-74.

The Beavers' Brett Heitkamp and Alex Savage each cashed in a pair of free throws to seal the win.

COE (74): Wirth 9 3-4 23, Daoust 3 0-0 8, J.Vonderhaar 3 2-2 8, Fahey 4 0-0 8, Schmarzo 1 0-0 2, Wadsworth 3 0-0 7, Truhlsen 3 0-0 6, M.Vonderhaar 0 4-4 4, Pyritz 0 2-2 2, Vorba 0 2-2 2, Timm 1 0-1 2, Delgado 1 0-0 2, Shedeck 0 0-0 0, Stix 0 0-0 0. Totals 28 13-15 74.

BUENA VISTA (80): Darrow 10 2-8 24, Wuebker 5 1-3 11, Kastanin 3 2-4 8, Clark 2 0-1 6, Savage 1 3-5 6, Heitkamp 4 7-8 15, Drey 2 0-0 4, Kaufmann 1 1-2 4, Stevens 1 0-0 2, Sibenaller 0 0-0 0, Grupe 0 0-0 0, Gallagher 0 0-0 0. Totals 29 16-31 80.

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Halftime - Buena Vista 46, Coe 35. 3-point goals - Coe 5 (Wirth 2, Daoust 2, Wadsworth), Buena Vista 6 (Darrow 2, Clark 2, Savage, Kaufmann). Rebounds - Coe 32 (Schmarzo 6), Buena Vista 43 (Kastantin 10). Total fouls - Coe 27, Buena Vista 16. Fouled out - Daoust, J. Vanderhaar. Assists - Coe 11 (Wirth 4), Buena Vista 18 (Kaufmann 6). A - 815.