

Kirkwood men fall in final second

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ESTHERVILLE - Diamontae McKinley made two free throws with four-tenths of a second left in the game Thursday night to give 17th-ranked Iowa Lakes a 53-52 victory over Kirkwood in the semifinals of the Region XI junior college tournament in Estherville.

Kirkwood led 52-51 in the final seconds when McKinley drove to the basket and a foul was called on Kirkwood forward Joe Tagarelli, sending McKinley to the free throw line. He hit both shots to win the game.

JC Fuller led the Eagles (21-10) with 21 points. Nobody else scored in double figures for Kirkwood. Tagarelli had 11 rebounds and Ajay Lawton collected seven assists.

Latrell Love scored 15 points for Iowa Lakes. The Lakers (23-8) will face DMACC in the regional finals Saturday afternoon in Boone.

KIRKWOOD (52): Lawton 1 2-2 5, Lassen 0 0-0 0, Fuller 6 6-9 21, Currie 0 6-9 6, Olson 2 0-0 6, Bussell 0 0-0 0, Batie-Gaddy 3 0-0 8, Tagarelli 2 2-2 6, Uwadiae 0 0-0 0. Totals 14 16-22 52.

IOWA LAKES (53): Golong 2 1-2 6, Harmon 0 0-0 0, Parks 4 3-4 12, McKinley 1 7-8 9, Boggs 0 0-0 0, Neff 2 2-3 6, Slotter 1 0-0 3, Janssen 1 0-0 2, Love 5 5-8 15. Totals 16 18-25 53.

Halftime - Kirkwood 34, Iowa Lakes 34. 3-point goals - Kirkwood 8 (Fuller 3, Batie-Gaddy 2, Olson 2, Lawton 1), Iowa Lakes 3 (Golong 1, Parks 1, Slotter 1).