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With a halftime lead of 30-7, Brady football coach Bob Frederickson never thought a nail-biter finish might be in the cards Friday night against Medicine Valley.

But when the Raiders drove for a touchdown four minutes into the fourth quarter and topped it with a 26-yard scoring pass and PAT kick with 36 seconds to play, it was a one-possession ball game.

Med Valley's onside kick made Frederickson a little nervous.

"It could have been very interesting," Frederickson said. "I don't think we played particularly well but we played well enough to win."

That's something the Brady boys are still learning about.

"These kids were down and struggled for so long that learning how to win is still a new concept," Frederickson said. "We're getting there."

Neither team put points on the board in the first quarter.

It was more than a minute into the second period when Eagle senior Brad Ward drove in the first touchdown from 4 yards out and Christian Arterburn added the PAT run.

Ward scored again with 5:27 on the clock on an 18-yard run with another Arterburn PAT to put

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the Eagles up 16-0.

On Medicine Valley's next possession, Eagle linebacker Tyler Kleinow intercepted a pass by Riley Garey and returned it 10 yards to score again. The PAT failed but Brady had a more comfortable 22-0 lead.

The Raiders refused to quit, marching the field again and with a minute to go in the half, Medicine Valley scored on a 3-yard run by Trey Hildebrandt and a PAT kick by Lucas Gleisberg.

Arterburn put an exclamation point on the first half when he returned the kickoff 79 yards for a touchdown.

A PAT pass from Kyle Pohlman to Dalton Riedel put the score at 30-7 right before the break.

Turnovers and penalties hampered both teams in the third quarter as the Eagles came out flat after the half.

"Medicine Valley made some good adjustments," Frederickson said. "They pretty much threw the gauntlet down and said we were going to have to pass to win but our passing game wasn't quite what it should be in the second half."

That's something the Eagles will work on before

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