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COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

FSCJ downs Vikings in five sets

The St. Johns River State College volleyball team made it close.

Very close. In the end, it was not enough as the Vikings fell to host and Division I junior college rival Florida State College-Jacksonville, 26-24, 20-25, 23-25, 25-17, 15-10.

"I'm not disappointed," Vikings coach Matt Cohen said after his team dropped to 19-8 for the year. "We had our opportunities to put it away in the first set and their outsides (hitters) got going at the right time. We played well in the second and third sets, but in the fourth set, we had no answers for them. We got stuck too long in a rotation and we couldn't recover."

For the Vikings, Kendal Hoges had a career-high 17 kills along with two blocks. Louisa Marunde added 13 kills and three service aces, Eden Edgell had nine kills and two blocks and Brooklyn McLeod put up seven kills and three blocks.

The Vikings, still waiting to find out if they win the Sun-Lakes Conference title outright or along with Gulf Coast State, will finish their regular season with matches in Walterboro, S.C. against South Carolina-Salkehatchie and Surry (N.C.) Community College this weekend.