

# Women's Hockey Unable To Handle Felten In Opening Loss

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FRIDLEY, MN - Despite outshooting Bethel University 55-14, five unanswered Sandra Felten goals did the UW-Eau Claire women's hockey team in tonight as it lost its opener 5-2.

Eau Claire is now 0-1-0 while Bethel is 1-0-0.

The Blugolds got on the board early with two **Michelle Stohr** (*Fr.-South St. Paul, MN*) goals in the first period. The first one came even-handed at 3:52 with assists coming from **Lauren Havard** (*So.-San Angelo, TX/Arapahoe*) and **Beth Dittrich** (*Fr.-Roseville, MN*). Stohr found the net again at 6:28, this time on a power-play due to a Bethany Murphy high sticking call. **Tara Hayner** (*Sr.-Stillwater, MN*) provided the assist.

Sandra Felten then started her scoring barrage and single-handedly tied the game before the first intermission. She scored one at 14:26 and another at 19:11. The second came on a power-play as a result of a Dittrich slashing penalty and a penalty for too many players on the ice assessed to **Amanda Alioto** (*Fr.-Hartland/Arrowhead*). Only one Bethel shot in the period did not get past the goalie while Eau Claire put up 21 shots.

Felten added three goals in the second period. The eventual winning goal came at 5:40 while the other two went between the pipes at 10:45 and 17:46, respectively. All were evenhanded. Goalie **Bri Lutz** (*Fr.-Burnsville, MN*) was pulled after the fourth goal and **Mikaela Jobman** (*Fr.-St Paul, MN/Cretin Derham Hall*) came in. The Blugolds again outshot the Royals for the period, this time 13-11.

The third period saw 21 Eau Claire shots on goal and none for Bethel. The Blugolds pulled their goalie for the last six minutes but could not score. For the game, Eau Claire outshot the Royals 55-14. The 55 Blugold shots are tied for third all-time in Eau Claire history. The record is 70 against Hamline University in 2005 with the second highest being 59 versus St. Benedict in 2004. The previous 55 was also against Hamline in 2005. Eau Claire won all three games.

Lutz made five saves while Jobman collected four. Bethel's Beth Spurrier had 53.

Both teams were whistled for seven penalties with four of Eau Claire's coming in the first. The Blugolds went 1-for-7 on power plays with 13 shots while Bethel went 1-for-6 with four shots. Eau Claire also won 34 faceoffs compared to 29 for the Royals.

This is the first Blugold loss to Bethel in the history of the program. The record is now 8-1-0. The last opener loss for Eau Claire was two seasons ago in a 3-1 defeat at St. Olaf.

The Blugolds will face eighth-ranked St. Thomas tomorrow. Faceoff is set for 8:00 p.m.

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