James Norris - 1974B

And since the coach's name was John Fries (pronounced 'Freeze', not 'Fries' (as in I'll have fries with my burger), the local paper would nickname the football team as The Friesmen (pronounced like Freezeman) when talking about their play on the field.

So with the word "FREEZE" used cleverly, you can get many more sports idioms like "The Friesmen put the opponent on ice". Or...the offense finally "thawed out", etc., etc.

So, I guess somewhere in the 40's or 50's when the High School was looking to select a mascot, they chose a combination derivation of the word for Eskimo and Huskie, I think. (To conjure up the image of a quick, very smart swift-footed, keen eyed hunting and/or working dog.

At least that's how I heard the story from my father, Mr. David Norris, English Dept. teacher and all class level English coordinator, as well as boy's tennis coach and Student Activities Coordinator from 1956-1990 or 1991.

Mary Foster - 1983B

And keeping with the Eskimo/Freeze/Eskie theme, there was a student "hang out" called The Igloo. They had socials, dances, etc. there. May have been located at Ogden? I vaguely remember getting this info from my Aunt Lois Steele (same class as John Bennett—class of 1950)