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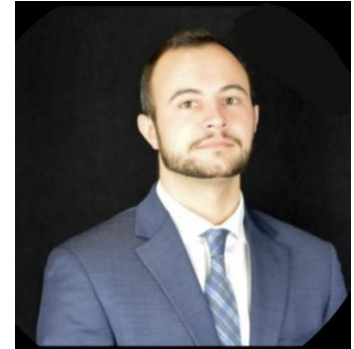
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Matt Hazi Promoted to Director of Basketball Operations for National Club Basketball Association-Men's League (NCBBA-M)

Pittsburgh, Pa: CollClubSports and the National Club Basketball Association-Men's announced that Matt Hazi has been promoted to Director of Basketball Operations effective immediately.

Hazi was hired by the NCBBA-M in January of 2022 as the Assistant Director of Basketball Operations where he learned how the league was managed on a day-to-day basis. He was also extremely instrumental in finalizing post-season regional locations and overall post-season event planning.



“In a very quick amount of time, Matt met and exceeded all expectations. It was extremely impressive to see how quickly he was able to manage and execute the goals we set for him while he learned how the league was run,” Vice President of Basketball Operations, Christian Smith said. “I know he is eager to take the next step in running the men's league and taking it to places it has never been. The member teams are going to love having him oversee the day-to-day operations.”

In his new position, Matt will oversee all aspects of the NCBBA-M from start to finish including growing league membership, realignment, conference scheduling, overseeing regular season and post-season play and post-season event planning. Matt will also oversee a group of volunteer regional directors and make sure league communication between teams and NCBBA-M is stronger than ever.

“I'm eager and excited to be in this new role. I am looking forward to working with all the teams, to grow, and take the NCBBA to the next level,” Hazi said. “I'm extremely passionate about this sport and am excited to give the teams an experience they'll never forget!”

Originally from Apollo, PA where he attended Apollo-Ridge High School where he lettered in Basketball before graduating in 2013. He continued his academic career at CCAC Boyce Campus for a year, where he played basketball for the team during his time. He then transferred to Slippery Rock University, in which graduated from in 2018, with a Bachelor's Degree in Sport Management.

After graduating from Slippery Rock, he completed an internship with Zero Gravity Basketball, who is the largest grassroots basketball company in the world. They now operate under 3Step Sports. During his time with Zero Gravity, his role was Assistant Director of the Tri State Region. He handled personal program information, scheduled tournaments for 13 weeks, and traveled to those tournaments on the weekends, where he acted as the Tournament Director for that respective tournament. He also acted as a Tournament Rep for State Basketball Championship, in which his role was to qualify teams for State Tournament in PA.

“The NCBBA-M Teams are in great hands. I am not going anywhere but happy to turn the day-to-day operations over to Matt. I'm really eager to see where Matt can take this league,” Smith stated.

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