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Grizzlies 28. Jazz 25

Grizzlies hold off Jazz, win 28-25

The Jazz and Grizzlies gave it their all on Thursday night, as the Grizzlies held off a 4th quarter push from the Jazz. The Grizzlies utilized great teamwork by finding the open teammate on the court, as all 5 starters found the score-sheet. After a 3-pointer on the Grizzlies 1st possession by Braedon Dembek (7 points, 6 rebounds), TJ Askew of the Jazz (9 points, 7 rebounds, 1 steals) had a nice drive to the basket. On the next play, Dembek answered back with a lay-up of his own. Near the end of the quarter, Anthony Christian (8 points, 9 rebounds, 4 assists, 6 steals, 2 blocks) added a layup to give the Grizzlies a 7-4 lead.

Christian controlled the pace of the game for the Grizzlies all night, doing a great job of distributing the ball to the open teammates running the floor. This was especially evident in the 2nd quarter, when the Grizzlies went on an offensive tear. Christian added 4 points and had 2 assists. The Grizzlies did a great job of playing selfless basketball, as Andrew and Matthew Brydges would set screens up top for Christian, who then read the defense and passed the ball to Thayer Wheeling (8 points, 10 rebounds), who was wide-open, and had 6 points in the quarter. At the end of the first half, the Grizzlies had a 20-9 lead.

The Jazz began to get rolling in 3rd quarter. Jack Giancola (14 points, 5 rebounds, 1 steal) led the way for his team, having 4-points in the quarter. TJ Askew also added a floater and a free throw in the quarter. The Grizzlies continued to distribute the ball nicely however, as Dembek and Matthew Brydges hit jumpers. Thayer Wheeling also worked hard in the paint, running the floor and getting a lay-up off a pass from Anthony Christian. The Grizzlies led 27-26 heading into the 4th.

Despite the deficit, the 4th quarter was all Jazz. Jack Giancola was cooking, as he had 6 points in the final 2 minutes. TJ Askew also did a great job controlling the pace of play, pushing the ball up the court and drawing the double-teams, to then find his open teammates. The Jazz had a late push, thanks to steals from Askew and Derek Leiker. However, it was ultimately too much of a deficit to over-come, as the Grizzlies held on to win 28-25.