## Parent Meeting Agenda 3.8.25

- Welcome/Thank you for coming
  - At Ben Davis Little League, we're dedicated to creating a positive, supportive, and fun community where young athletes can grow, learn, and thrive. Our mission is to inspire a love of the game, foster teamwork, and develop the skills and character of our players, both on and off the field. We want to focus on building lifelong friendships with their peers because at the end of the day #itsbiggerthanbaseball and #itsbiggerthansoftball. At Ben Davis Little League we want to create a sense of community where everyone is welcome where we celebrate the joys of the game and the achievements of our players, no matter how big or small, lift each other up and support each other because at the end of the day, this is about bringing our community together because we are GIANTS!
- Introduce board members; each member briefly introduces themselves and their board position
  - Order of introduction
    - Pam President
    - Pete VP
    - Carley- Secretary
    - Crystal Treasurer
    - Candice Player Agent
    - Michelle Concession
    - Natalie Softball Coordinator
    - Dawanna Contributions Officer
    - Michael Safety Officer
    - Kevin Coaches Coordinator
    - Domonique Field Maintenance
    - Devontae Equipment Manager
    - Devin Grounds
    - Breauna Events Coordinator
    - Brandon Umpire In Chief
- We are on Wayne Township property so we need to treat it just like school property. There will be no SMOKING, VAPING, DRINKING, OR PETS ALLOWED. Treat our fields like you would your own child's school. If you would not do something there, don't do it in the fields.
- Fields (Domonique) Lots of field prep including new dirt, safety checked fields, bases, pitching rubbers, all in preparation for opening day and games
  - Field Clean up will be Saturday, March 15th at 2 PM. We need all the help we can get!
- Opening Day set for 4/12 (Breauna) Many fun activities, (the annual team parade, fun inflatables, raffle drawings, team pictures, games!)

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- Raffle Tickets/Buy Out (Dawana) Each player sells 7 tickets at \$10 a piece or a buyout of \$50. This covers costs outside of registration. Raffle drawing will be on Opening Day.
- Discuss Pool Play (Candice) If you would like your player to be a sub for a team
  when needed, please email Candice at <u>playeragent@bendavittleleague.org</u> with
  your player's name, and the division they can pool play in. Pool play is allowed
  in their current division and one division above.
- Skills Assessments (Candice) March 15th and 16th from 11-1 broken down into divisions. Tee ball does not attend. We will be sending out those time break downs.
- Concessions (Michelle) All teams will be assigned between 2-4 concession stand duty nights-these will not fall during a time you have a game. When your coach notifies you of your dates, please do your best to come out and help in the concession stand!
- Importance of helping take care of fields/dugouts/other park property by remembering the following:
  - Please throw away all the trash. Treat all facilities with care, treat others, especially umps, coaches and other volunteers and visitors with respect at all times. We are here for the kids and to help build a stronger community. This expectation is also in place when you are visiting other leagues for away games. Please remember you represent BDLL, our players, and community.
- As always be advised that rude or otherwise inappropriate or disrespectful behavior toward others while on BDLL grounds, or while playing at other leagues, may result in being removed from the fields and could possibly result in an indefinite ban from the property. That is not just our discretion, that is the township's discretion to issue that ban.
- Unless you are a league approved coach, assistant coach, team parent, or umpire with a <u>valid background check</u> on file and have completed the Little League Abuse Awareness Training, you <u>will not</u> be on a field or in the dugout during practices <u>or</u> games. This pertains to parents, siblings, grandparents, etc. It should be understood that your player's coach is there to do just that, Coach. If the board receives complaints that this rule is not being followed, we reserve the right to ask you to leave the fields or impose other measures as necessary.
- Some travel to other leagues that are in close proximity will be required for interleaguing in some divisions
- If you see a need, fill the need BDLL is run COMPLETELY by volunteers, be the change you want to see for BDLL. This is a group effort and it takes all of us.
   Remember your board is made up of volunteers and we are human too!

If you have any questions, please feel free to find an available board member before you leave this morning! Thank you for your time and best of luck this season!