

July 2018 KCUC Meeting

Randy Reeves, Director of Manufacturing Operations at FirstBuild, will discuss “**FirstBuild Program Update**”, an overview of the progress of the innovative FirstBuild micro-factory, a collaborative effort between GE Appliances and the University of Louisville.

Location: Crowne Plaza – Coronet B Room

Date: Wednesday, July 18, 2018

Time: Sign in and Networking starting 7:15 AM

Breakfast begins at **8:00 AM**

8:30 AM - KCUC organizational items, followed by Guest Speaker

9:30 AM – Adjourn

Reservations For This Meeting

Please make a reservation on the KCUC website www.kcuc.org if planning to attend this event.

We request reservations be made **no later than Monday July 16, 2018** to ensure an accurate count for breakfast.

About Our Guest Speaker

Randy Reeves is the Director of Manufacturing Operations at FirstBuild, a pioneering effort of GE Appliances, launched in 2014, using co-creation and micro-manufacturing to drive innovation and a new model for the manufacturing industry.

FirstBuild is focused on inventing a new world of home appliances by creating a socially-engaged community of home enthusiasts, designers, engineers, and scientists from around the globe that share ideas, try them out, and build real products to improve your life.

FirstBuild operates a micro-factory facility in collaboration with the University of Louisville Speed Engineering School on the campus of the University, and delivers small batch sellable goods under the micro-factory production system.

Randy joined General Electric in 1988, and during his career has held executive leadership roles in the execution of high volume production and manufacturing at GE’s numerous appliance plants.

He holds US manufacturing patents and has led a wide array of manufacturing programs, including process engineering, new product introduction (NPI), Quality, Six Sigma, Lean, Advanced Automation, Machine Design, Facility Construction, Workforce Development and multi-million dollar Project and Program Management.

Randy earned a Master’s Degree in Mechanical Engineering from The Speed Scientific School at the University of Louisville and is a Certified Master Black Belt in Six Sigma and LEAN.