# **Understanding Lean Transformation**

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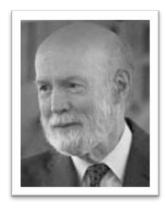
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## What is the Lean Enterprise Institute?

# Our Mission: Make Things Better Through Lean Thinking and Practice



Founded in 1997 by Dr. James Womack, principal scientist of the MIT IMVP study that resulted in *The Machine That Changed the World.* 



CEO John Shook & COO Mark Reich with 17 full time employees & more than 30 faculty and coaches.

- Non-profit education and research institute, based in Cambridge, MA aligned with 18+ global institutes & partners
- Over 300,000 community members from all industries

#### How We Learn, Share and Collaborate



#### Collaborative Learning Process



Share with other Organizations & Individuals

Lean Thinking & Practice Everywhere



Share with other Organizations & Individuals



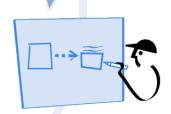
Partners share learning within their organization

- Improved Systems
- Improved Performance
- Improved Capability

Become Part of Our Mission!



Partner LEI



Share learning within lean community

















#### So, What is Lean?

#### Many People Define Lean As....

- Tools: 5S, Kaizen events and projects, process maps, value stream maps, Andon, visual management, metrics, SPC, dashboards, A3, etc.
- Programs: efficiency, process improvement, change management, performance management & measurement, MBO, cost reduction, Lean Six Sigma, MEO, etc.
- "Corporate Improvement" done <u>to</u> value-creators <u>by</u> management, outsiders or internal expert staff – a.k.a. Master Black Belts.
- Training for certifications or belts.
- Headcount reduction >>> "lean = mean".
- Something that only applies to manufacturing or operations.
- Regimentation through standard work

### Lean Thinking & Practice

- Embracing the challenge of creating more <u>value for</u> <u>each customer</u> and <u>prosperity for society</u> by:
  - Focusing on, and continuously, improving the work (the flow of value throughout the organization to the customer)
  - Showing respect by developing people to continuously improve the work through problem solving
  - Minimizing / eliminating waste -- time, human effort, injuries, inventory, capital, space, defects, rework, etc.
  - Asking what management behaviors <u>and</u> management system are needed

#### To Improve (or Transform) an Organization Must Address

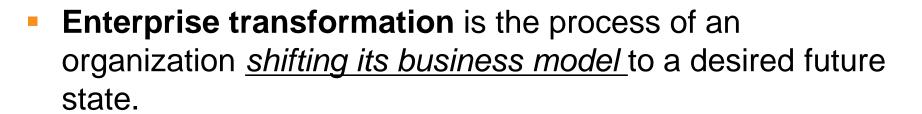
Purpose What value for customers?

Process How to continuously improve?

People How to respect, engage and develop employees?

Aligning purpose, process and people is the central task of management

#### What is Transformation?



- Lean transformation requires <u>learning a new way of</u> <u>thinking and acting</u>
  - characterized not by implementing a series of steps or solutions, but
  - addressing key questions of purpose, process and people.

#### What Approaches Do Most Organizations Take?

Mergers

Training for belts and

certifications

Consultant Recommendations

Recommendation

Reduce headcount across

Hiring freezes

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Efficiency via cost cutting

Reorganize

Move operations off shore

Hire a new team of leaders

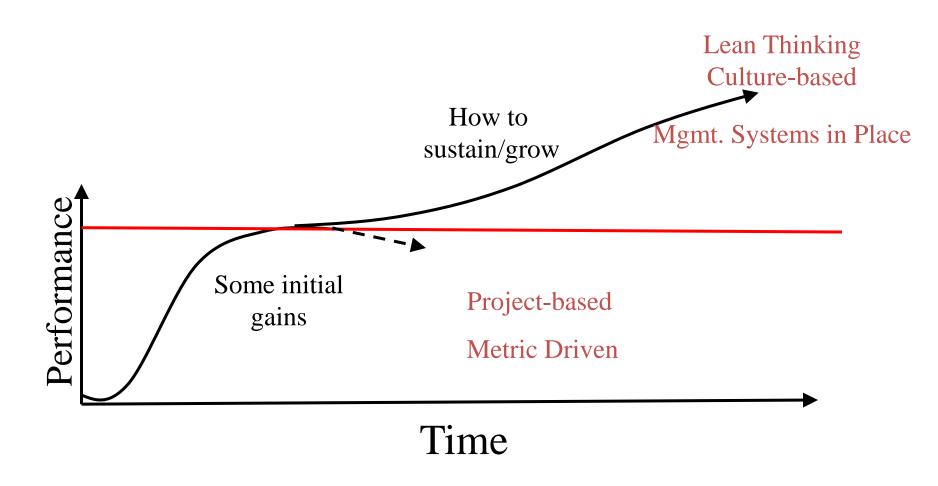
Buy IT systems

Elections

Change management programs

Business process re-engineering

#### Two Views of Transformation & What You Get





### Lean Transformation Framework Video

# The Lean Transformation Framework

#### SITUATIONAL APPROACH

- Value-Driven Purpose -

"WHAT PROBLEM ARE WE TRYING TO SOLVE?"

# PROCESS IMPROVEMENT

Continuous,
practical
changes to
improve the way
the work is done

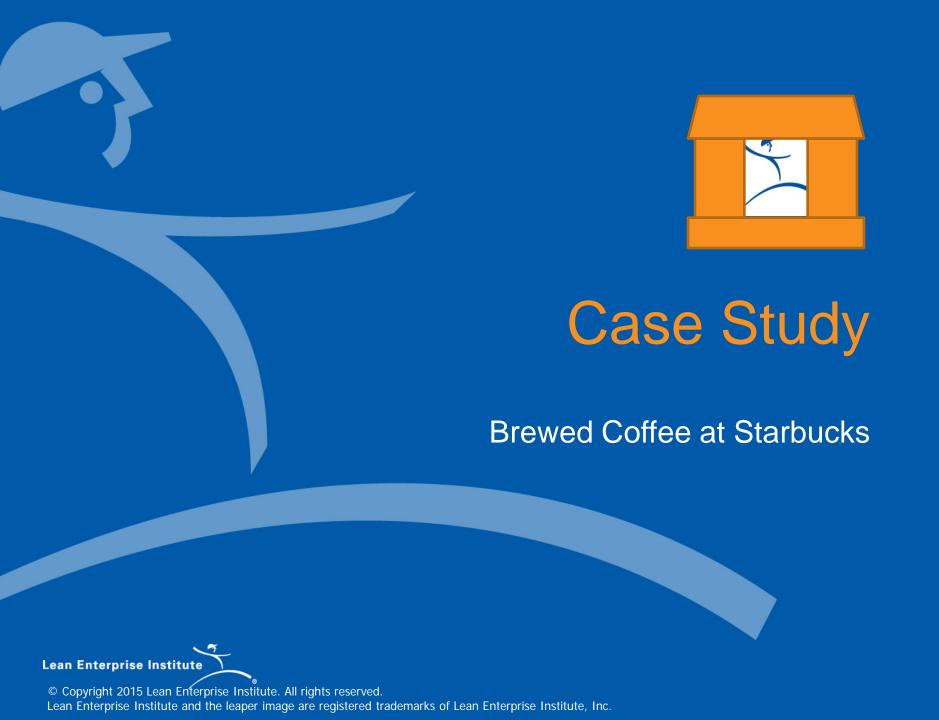
#### **Responsible Leadership**



# CAPABILITY DEVELOPMENT

Sustainable improvement capability in all people at all levels

Basic Thinking, Mindset, Assumptions
That drive this transformation





# One Problem: Brewed Coffee Wast



#### **The Problem Situation**

- What is the problem? Huge amount of coffee discarded at every store every day, while also being out of coffee when a customer wants it!
- Why is it a problem? Dissatisfaction of customers, employees, and management – costing tens of millions of dollars per year
- Why address it now? Customer satisfaction and costs identified as major company areas of focus to address declining sales and profitability



# One Problem: Brewed Coffee Wast



#### **The Problem Situation**

Coffee discarded while customers frustrated!

#### **Traditional approach**

Solve problems by focusing on standard costs & one-size-fits-all solutions broadcast from HQ to each store

#### **Lean Approach**

Built problem solving capability and engaged store teams in improvement, essentially, *developing their own solutions*.

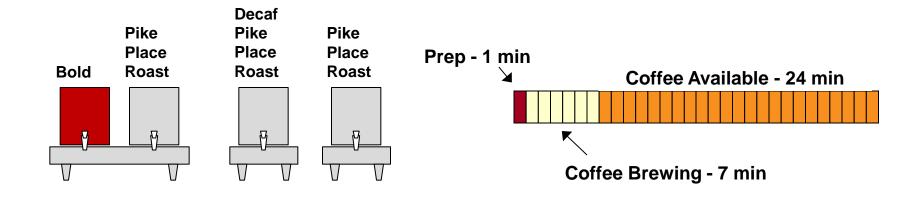
- Direct Observation Go See to understand the problems (physical waste, the WORK)
- Analysis of the actual facts of the situation and root causes led to deep understanding of the problem at each store
- Countermeasures were understood in terms of customer impact, employee impact, waste elimination in each store



# **Brewing Coffee the Old Way**



- Before opening the store... Grind whole bean coffee for the entire day
- During the day...Brew batches (1/4, 1/2 and Full) that last for 30 minutes



3. After closing the store...Discard any unused coffee grounds



## **Observed Problems**

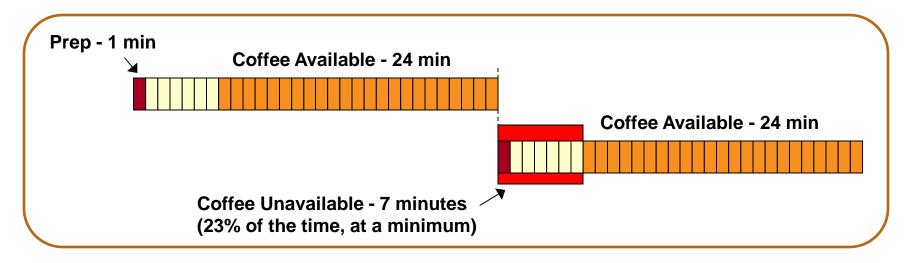


Quality - Serving brewed coffee that does not meet Starbucks own standards

Extra Labor - 15 minutes to grind coffee for the entire day, prior to opening

Waste - Unused coffee grounds & brewed coffee down the drain

**Outages**, especially during peak - "I'm sorry but we just ran out. Would you like to wait or substitute for an Americano?





# **New Brewed Coffee Routine**



#### **From**

Brew after running out

Grinding coffee beans in big batches

#### To

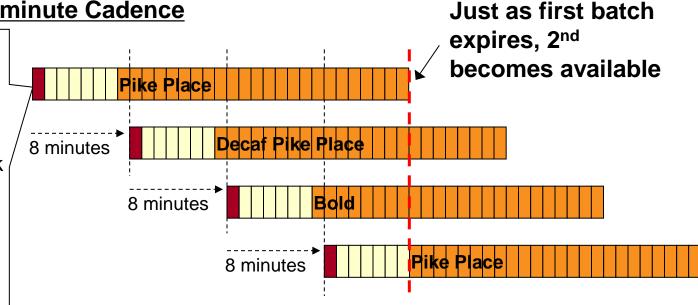
Brew on a regular cadence

Grinding beans just prior to brewing each batch, individually

#### **Brewing on an 8-minute Cadence**

#### Brewed Coffee Repeatable Routine

- 1.Reset timer
- 2. Drain server at sink
- 3. Grind coffee
- 4. Clean brew basket and server
- 5.Load brew basket
- 6.Brew coffee



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# Implementing the Routine



#### **Traditional approach**

Corporate HQ identifies new process that will eliminate \$50M in coffee waste

Communicate directly to stores: "Here is the new way to brew coffee"

#### New lean approach

Regional Director Learn & Teach

District Manager Learn & Teach

Store Manager Learn & Teach



# Improving the Routine



#### **Question Every Detail**

- Why is it necessary?
- What is it's purpose?
- Where should it be done?
- When should it be done?
- Who is best qualified?

- **Eliminate** unnecessary elements
- Rearrange elements (layout) for better sequencing (flow)
- Add/Subtract elements altogether OR to other jobs (offline)
- **Combine** elements when practical



# **Principles Introduced**



<b>Technical Principles</b>	<b>Social Principles</b>
Go-See	Leader as Coach
Motion ≠ Work	Learn by doing
On-line to off-line	Asking 'why' not 'who'
Balanced work	Problems are good
Value of routine	Respect for people
Fixed-time, unfixed-quantity	Customer first (no stock-outs)

At both micro and macro levels of the business



# Results of Change



#### Lean Approach to Change

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#### **Results**

- Systematically and sustainably reduced waste by HALF in four months
- Developed problem solving capability in baristas and store managers
- Developed leadership capability coaching problem solvers in field leaders

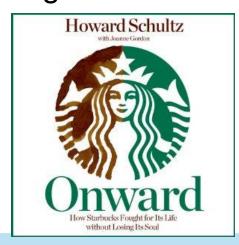


# Chairman/CEO Howard Schultz

"I harbored doubts about this so-called 'lean program'...applying a manufacturing-based process seemed cold and impersonal..."

But, "in store after store Lean was producing better ways of doing business and customer satisfaction was up..."

"Inside Starbucks, Lean has become a very big idea."





### Thank You....Time for Questions

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