Minutes, January 13, 2026

Role Call

(Bold format added to indicate attendance)
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Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura, Yuichi Kusano
IBM: **Alasdair Nottingham**, **Emily Jiang**, **James Perkins**, **Jared Anderson**, Neil Patterson
Oracle: **Ed Bratt**, Dmitry Kornilov
Payara: Dominika Tasarz, **Steve Butler**
Tomitribe: **David Blevins**, **Cesar Hernandez**
Enterprise Member representative 1: Jun Qian (Primeton)
Enterprise Member Representative 2: Zhao Xin (Shandong Cvicse Middleware Co)
Participant member representative: **Ondro Mihalyi** (Omnifish OU)
Elected Committer Representative: Vacant

Quorum is calculated as 50% or greater. Quorum is met with 4 members present.
Ballots taken during the call are decided with a simple majority of those present.

Do we have Quorum for this meeting?**Yes**

For Eclipse: **Tanja Obradovic**, Ivar Grimstad, Shabnam Mayel

Updates on the Agenda Format

In order to simplify access to the meeting agenda I plan to adopt a unified agenda document. Each meeting will be identified by a 'Document Tab' from the left menu. Members may use the 'stacked docs' to display the meeting outline.
The chair would appreciate your feedback on this change in format but hopes this will make agenda review and tracking easier.
As always this document, along with prior meeting agenda documents are kept in the [Jakarta EE Working Group Google Drive](#), in the [Meetings & Agendas folder](#). If any member does not have access, please reach out to [Tanja](#).

Prior meeting Agenda

Chair will make a motion for approval of the [December 9, 2025 Steering Committee Minutes](#). Move the meeting minutes from Dec. 9 be approved. There were no objections. These minutes are approved and will be published.

Chair offers the meeting minutes of [December 16, 2025 Steering Committee Meeting](#) for your review.

Welcome LG CNS to Jakarta EE Working Group

Please welcome LG CNS as a new Participant member ([membership page](#) is updated)! Look for email with the subject line "Welcome LG CNS to Jakarta EE Working Group", or use this link https://www.eclipse.org/lists/jakarta.ee-wg/msg01132.html

LG CNS has a [current CCR](#) for their Jakarta EE Compatible implementation.
The steering committee welcomes LG to the Jakarta EE working group.

2026 Working Group Financial Plan

- E-mail ballot was conducted (despite the false start) on the list jakarta.ee-steering@eclipse.org
- The resolution was approved
- All eligible members voted
- Voting was as follows

Member representative	Representing	Vote
Fujitsu	Strategic Member	+1
IBM	Strategic Member	-1
Oracle	Strategic Member	+1
Payara	Strategic Member	+1
Tomitribe	Strategic Member	+1
Primeton	Enterprise Member representative	+1
Shandong Cvicse Middleware Co	Enterprise Member representative	+1
Omnifish	Participant Member representative	+1

Notes were included with two ballots:

Tomitribe (+1): "*We'd like to see some quarterly reporting on the specification management line item spend tied to actual spec activity. Most quarters and some years, we do not ship specs. If the spend is low and there is money left over, we would prefer to see it go to bonuses for the 3 dedicated staff.*"

IBM (-1): "*The vote is to approve the financial plan and acknowledge it meets the program plan. The financial plan items do not directly relate to items on the program plan making it difficult to acknowledge that the financial plan matches the program plan.*
The Specification Process Management line item was questioned during the discussion of the financial plan, but the provided explanation included activities performed by dedicated staff funded by the financial plan and no answer was provided to clarify what was being done that was not covered by dedicated staff. This means it is impossible to understand if the same work is being charged for twice under the financial plan."

- [Specification Process Management slides](#)

Discussion of the points raised:
- Tanja discussed points written in the slides linked just above, particularly slide 2 of this deck.
- Tanja pointed out that dedicated staff activities are included in the Specification Process Management line item. CCR approvals are to be performed by anyone from the Jakarta EE Platforms team.
- Some concern about who is responsible for what elements of the working group activities. The charter confers some responsibility to the working group members. The EMO is responsible for oversight and adherence related issues.
- Members, please review the slide-deck and bring back any comments – either as comments in the slide deck, to this group, or directly with Tanja.

2025, Q3 Program Plan Report

[Q3 Program Plan Report](#)

- Previously Tanja presented highlights of the Q3 update.
  - Events and EE 12 progress show well
  - Growth is positive but not as strong as we had hoped.
  - New projects are increasing committer membership. Legacy projects seem to be declining in membership.
  - As presented there were a few slides that will need revision. Tanja to circulate an update to the committee when those slides are amended.
  - The committee is invited to review the slides directly and add comments to the content.
- Discussion from Jan 13
  - Reviewed the comments. Alasdair is interested in tracking committers that have become disengaged from projects. Tanja reports this could be

difficult since some contributions are intermittent in their nature. Emily also notes there is some "across the board" inactivity.
- ○ Action: look at a mechanism to create reports about "inactive" committer members. Tanja will report back about this at a future meeting

2026 Program Plan by Quarter

- We should further work to develop our plans per quarter
- Proposed [2026 Program Plan by Quarter](#)
- Comments from Jan 13:
  - ○ Members are requested to review the plan, particularly the quarterly objectives listed on the Quarterly breakdown slides. This committee may be particularly interested in the points from slides 11, 15, and 17 but we all would do well to review the other committee (Specification and Marketing) committee objectives.

Note on proxy voting (Tanja)

- *This is an FYI item. If members wish to continue this discussion, please let the chair know to schedule this for a future meeting.*
- Working Group Operations Guide document [Voting section](#) is updated

Copied here:

Formal Procedure for Assigning Proxy

All participants must strictly adhere to the Eclipse Foundation Anti-trust Policy.

If a designated member representative (excluding the Committer Member Representative, who must participate personally) is unable to attend, they may assign their vote via a formal proxy.

*To assign a proxy to another representative of an Eclipse Foundation member organization, the assigning member must send a formal email communication to both **The Chair** and **The Eclipse Foundation Working Group Program Manager with cc to the proxy**.*

This email must explicitly state:

1. ***The Identity of the Proxy Holder:*** *The name and member organization of the individual granted voting authority.*
2. ***Voting Instructions:*** *Precise instructions on how the proxy holder must vote on all agenda topics requiring a formal vote. A proxy lacking clear voting direction for known topics may be deemed invalid for those votes.*

This procedure ensures legitimate, recorded proxy votes cast according to the absent member's explicit instructions.

Note: Proxy counts towards quorum.

E-mail voting proposal

- David reports that he has just drafted a proposal. It is available for review at this link 📄 Voting Over Email v1.0 DRAFT
- Committee members, please review this document and we will discuss it at our next meeting in January.
- While we have not yet adopted a strict e-mail voting resolution, the chair recognizes that e-mail voting is likely to increase this in the near future. The chair proposes we not use e-mail voting for meeting agenda approval. I'd be willing to provide an e-mail resolution to codify this if the committee desires. Something like:
  > Resolved, unless requested, the Jakarta EE Steering Committee shall use in-person voting for meeting agenda approvals. Any member may request an e-mail ballot (in person at the meeting, prior to the close of the minutes approval item, or via e-mail sent prior to the start of the Steering Committee meeting) should they wish to have the approval ballot recorded and conducted over e-mail.

  David had been asked to create a proposal, this will also be discussed:

  - 📄 Voting Over Email v1.0 DRAFT

  This resolution was not voted on.
- Discussion for Jan 13:
  - David's intent is to capture our best practice and not mandatory.
  - Discussion about how we could include in-meeting discussion
  - Members, please review the document linked above and we will take it up again in the next meeting.

Items below this line were not discussed due to time-constraints

Jakarta EE 12

- Update from Jared or James if present

MicroProfile joining Jakarta EE

- With the failure of the resolution on name-space a new proposal will be developed in the MicroProfile working group.

Working Group Charter Scope

- David Blevins drafted mark-up with a proposed charter change

Marketing Committee Update

- Report from Dominica or Shabnam, if present

Update from Jakarta EE Future Direction Team

- Update from Neil if present

Jakarta EE Membership Fees and Charter update

- Tanja suggests postponing this discussion. So far we have the following proposals:
  - EF proposal: Membership fees change to Euros, which includes about 15% increase
  - IBM proposal: Membership fees change to Euros with various changes on the membership fees (e.g. decrease for Strategic members, increase for Participant members)
  - Another option that was mentioned is Membership fees change to Euros, but the the fee value approximately stay the same (using avg. 2025 exchange rate)
    - Fee increase is discussed separately and afterwards

Link to the [2025.12.16 - Proposed Agenda - Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting](#)