Spec Committee Meeting Minutes January 30th, 2018

Attendees (present in bold):
Kenji Kazumura - Fujitsu, Michael DeNicola
Dan Bandera - IBM, Kevin Sutter, Alasdair Nottingham
Bill Shannon - Oracle, Ed Bratt, Dmitry Kornilov, Jim Wright, Will Lyons
Steve Millidge - Payara, Arjan Tijms
Bill Shannon - Oracle, Ed Bratt, Dmitry Kornilov, Jim Wright, Will Lyons
Scott Stark - Red Hat, Mark Little
David Blevins - Tomitribe, Richard Monson-Haefel
Ivar Grimstad - PMC Representative
Alex Theedom - Participant Member
Werner Keil - Committer Member
Antoine Sabot-Durand - Red Hat (CDI spec Lead)

Eclipse Foundation: Wayne Beaton, Tanja Obradovic, Paul Buck, Mike Milinkovich

- Past business / action items
  - David moved, Dan second, no objections - Jan 23rd minutes approved
- Jakarta EE Town Hall call for the community
  - Next time more questions from audience; shorter on PPT and allow more time for questions
  - 57 participants
- Java EE Specification Documents contribution from Oracle
  - Oracle will transfer Oracle's rights in the documents for the Java EE specifications they lead to the Eclipse Foundation, pending approval by the JCP EC. Oracle will lead the discussion with JCP EC and will communicate via Steering Committee.
  - The Eclipse Foundation will need to acquire the rights that others may have in the specification documents before they can be used for Jakarta EE.
  - The Eclipse Foundation will prepare a legal agreement to acquire these rights and send it to other potential contributors to the Java EE specifications.
  - Oracle will provide a list of specification contributors for Java EE specifications developed under the JCP and previously, to the Eclipse Foundation
- Jakarta EE 8 release
  - Please refer to the document summarizing activities related to the [Jakarta EE 8 release](https://www.eclipse.org/development/release-docs/ee-java/8.0/milestone.html)
    - Approval of the document received at the Steering Committee
    - EF will be further working on identifying the work on the projects that can be done at this point
- TCK process - David Blevins leading the effort
  - [CDI TCK process](https://www.eclipse.org/ee-java/8.0/milestone.html#cdi) and [Bean Validation TCK process](https://www.eclipse.org/ee-java/8.0/milestone.html#bean-validation) - Red Hat, Antoine Sabot-Durand
    - Learn CDI with TCK blog
    - Antoine finished his presentation of the TCK process
David started documenting what needs to be done to progress work on Jakarta EE TCK process.

Things we immediately agree on:
- A spec cannot require proprietary tools to consume (not exactly correct, but there is [board resolution](#) regarding the use of proprietary tools)
- We want a text format for the specification
  - One month goal: we back off after one month if not attainable
  - Which formats: open discussion point
    - Asciidoc
    - Docbook
    - Markdown?
    - SVG
    - Anything github supports?
- We agree there can be a no-new specs set of rules:
  - No new specs can have binary specification sources
- We need a common denominator process for
  - How assertions in spec and tck relate
- CDI TCK process dock will be the starting point

TODO:
- Dan: gather information on Oasis FrameMaker to text conversion
- David: send to list asciidoctor-pdf reference for Bill and others
- Ed: to send to list conversion so far
- David: grab CDI TCK process document and convert to google doc for review

Specification Document
- Must it be normative or can it be a mix of javadoc and other sources
  - Javadoc is part of the specification
  - Java EE Security spec used a lot of Javadoc for assertions and asciidoc was very light
- Should a PDF be required that can be under the Specification License
  - There are two specifications that are javadoc only
    - How this was handled by the JCP process has not yet been discussed/clarified.
- Should an HTML version be available online