Spec Committee Meeting Minutes Nov 14th, 2018

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

- Past business / action items
  - none
- Reviewing the Plan
  - Oct. 6: Draft complete
  - Oct. 10: Specification Committee approval to refer it to the Steering Committee
  - Oct. 16: Steering Committee approval to release for community review
  - Oct. 17 - 31: Community review
- Work on the final version
- Jakarta EE Working Group calls - next call Nov 28th
  - Agenda
- EFSP v1.0
  - 2 week period for comments (Nov 7th - 21st) , our next call Nov 28th is voting for EFSP v1.0
- Jakarta EE Spec process
  - Jakarta EE Spec process, is based on EFSP, but not necessarily the same
    - Eclipse Foundation to clean up the meta-process version and make it available for review
    - Example: Jakarta EE Specification Process v1.0
  - Concern was expressed that the voting process is not well defined by the EFSP.
    - The EFSP is purposefully silent on the specifics of how long the voting period lasts, or any indication of channels. Specific constraints regarding how votes are run can be described in Working Group-specific implementations of the specification process.
    - Specific concern was voiced that a super-majority approval could theoretically be obtained via private channels, potentially excluding as much as one third of the Specification Committee members. Wayne stated that the underlying principles of open source outlined in the EDP
inform all of our processes; specifically that openness, transparency, and vendor neutrality are assumed in all processes.

- Wayne agreed that we should consider qualifying how we run votes in EFSP 1.1. Terms like “transparent”, “defined period”, and “eligible voters must be informed” were suggested.
  - It was requested that we include an appendix or addendum to the EFSP that provides an example of how the process may be specialized by a Working Group.
  - We will use Jakarta EE NoSQL to test EF Spec Process and do customization if necessary to created Jakarta EE Spec process.
    - As we work through the process with Jakarta EE NoSQL, we will capture notes and evolve a draft of the Jakarta EE Specification Process.
  - RESOLVED: Jakarta EE NoSQL will be allowed to begin work using the draft EF Spec Process, assuming the team is aware and prepared for the risks associated with working through draft process
    - Mike Denicola moved
    - Dan Bandera second
    - No objections
  - Vote on Creation review on Jakarta EE NoSql - voting from the Spec Cmte
    - We will use jakarta.ee spec mailing list
    - Period, email subject line...will clearly indicate that a VOTE is required
    - Jakarta EE NoSQL Project proposal link

- TCK process - David Blevins
  - Still in draft; the document on the team drive
  - Push out 2 weeks or delegate to someone else
    - David does not have time to look into this in next 2 weeks; we’ll discuss on 28th again