Minutes of April 23 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

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Attendees:

Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura, Mike Denicola
IBM: Dan Bandera, Kevin Sutter
Oracle: Will Lyons
Payara: Steve Millidge
Red Hat: Mark Little, Scott Stark
Tomitribe: David Blevins, Richard Monson-Hafael
Martijn Verburg
Ivar Grimstad

Eclipse: Mike Milinkovich and team

Review of Minutes from Prior Meeting

Minutes of March 19 and April 9 Meeting are approved.

No further meeting minutes will be distributed to the Working Group over the next week.

Minutes of the April 16 Meeting will be reviewed next time.

Oracle and Eclipse Agreement and Other Agreements

See minutes of prior meetings for additional background on this topic.

As discussed in prior meetings, between Eclipse and Oracle:

1) We have agreed to the following conceptual plan for licensing Oracle specification content to enable the delivery of a Jakarta EE 8 specification that includes:

- A Platform specification with TCK, with spec text, that defines functionality “as is” in the current Java EE 8 spec.
  All copyright holders must sign off on their contributions to the current Platform doc before we can publish (as discussed at the JCP)
- Component specifications, for components that Oracle has been the spec lead for, with Javadoc, and TCKs, and a statement that the component spec meets the same compatibility requirements as the Platform spec. Providing spec text is
optional (if permissions are obtained), but not required. This is an enhancement in order to speed the ability to get the platform done.

- Red Hat and IBM will need to make corresponding spec contributions for specs they own.

2) #1 requires that Oracle and Eclipse sign a Specification Copyright Agreement. Drafts of this Agreement have been exchanged over the past week. We are very close to completing this.

3) We can begin creating draft Jakarta EE 8 component specs, under EPL, at this time.

4) Future specifications can use the javax namespace in a compatible manner, but will not be able to evolve/modify the Javax namespace. The new functionality will evolve in the Jakarta namespace.

We reviewed the guidance document prepared by Paul Buck and discussed last week, including a review of any comments in the document. The Spec Committee was to define/recommend potential strategies/options for transitioning from javax.* to jakarta.* at the next Spec Committee meeting(s) and include them as comments to this document.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1QkYa5d7oQE2mX0YrlNDkPpn8gQg4odKzObZDDG1RQSg/edit

The consensus of the group was that we should give the Spec Committee at least another week to come to a closure on definition of potential strategies/options. Our new goal will be to distribute that FAQ above NLT Friday, May 3.

Marketing committee should be prepared to respond to reactions to such an announcement - this should be placed on the April 25 Marketing Committee Agenda.

No update on Eclipse draft copyright agreements for other Jakarta EE WG members and other spec contributors.

Update on other Jakarta EE Working Group agreements

- Regarding the Tomitribe participation agreement, see prior meeting minutes for the background. David, Paul White, and Paul Buck met last week on this topic. The open question is whether the SC would have any concerns regarding the strategy for TomEE Jakarta EE “branding”. We will discuss next Steering Committee meeting.
- In addition to the Strategic Member agreements above, 10 participant member agreements have also been signed.

Jakarta EE 8 Release
The scope of the release has been agreed to as described in the following document:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/15rsZ5e3ONjsJjp635yev3dVjV5ZiKdlvRuHXQXpwQus/edit

The “Next Steps” document provides an overview of the current plan:
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1VFaaE5-HaDIdm4c-lDJStvO0sGoYcumGchq_aoNUq2M/edit#slide=id.g4d87466c3c_0_0

The following Google doc is being updated:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15HdTmpvIVW53zm6wGwZoli5c1kRzM79G-ZDHe4FVMs/edit#gid=503170349

Ed has drafted the following, and will provide an overview:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZtVZBLY2Q-zze0ftF0T0_7i0OlvhOVEkDTCbml2mG3E/edit?ts=5cccc7cf#heading=h.4wx7a313r9i6

Expect to have updates on branding documents next week.

**Marketing Committee Update**

Updates on branding documents next week.

Waiting on guidance from Eclipse IP Advisory Committee on branding guidelines.

There is a debate on the content of the logos, differentiating between a Jakarta EE WG members, and a Jakarta EE committer (which would require a third logo). This will be discussed at the next Marketing Committee meeting.

Marketing related agenda items from Tanja:

1. **Community Engagement**

   We started last time, but I would like to make sure the new approach with the Jakarta EE Community public calendar and Jakarta EE Update monthly meetings, as well as the idea is to have someone other than Eclipse Foundation to lead these calls and prepare the Agenda makes sense. I’d love if we get a volunteer today to lead the next call, scheduled for May 8th.

   Please contact Tanja if you are willing to volunteer.
2. Messaging related to Jakarta EE 8 release

With upcoming conferences, I am sure we'll have a lot of questions related to Jakarta EE 8 and timing of the release. Marketing Committee will use this for their marketing/PR planning and activities.

Will Lyons will draft a message doc for next week meeting.

3. Messaging related to javax package namespace restrictions

Same as above, we should expect a lot of questions related to this topic. I know we have a document already in progress, and we are expecting proposal a proposal from a Specification Committee on technical options on how to deal with the situation.

Jakarta EE committee elections - Update from Paul White

This is merely a heads up for the steering committee - there is no action for them. The Foundation will organize the elections on behalf of the working group, likely starting in early May with a call for nominations.

As a reminder to the committee, we elect representatives from the Participant members as well as the Committer members to each of the Steering, Specifications, and Marketing & Brand committees.

e.g., on the Steering Committee, Martijn Verburg is the elected Participant member rep, and Ivar Grimstad is the elected Committer member rep.

We will discuss the PMC member next time.

Proposed Specification Names

This agenda item is a placeholder for now. The Spec Names list is here: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1_f-Vsl8pjCBSc0gFrItz-Axdw8oK5dfcM2H9mFrPxX/edit#gid=157814126

Jakarta Summit

Consensus has been to work on defining an agenda when there is more clarity on the resolution of legal issues.