

Minutes of August 13 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

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Attendees:

Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura, Mike Denicola
IBM: Dan Bandera, Kevin Sutter
Oracle: Will Lyons, Ed Bratt, Bill Shannon, Dmitry
Payara: Steve Millidge
Red Hat: Scott Stark
Tomitribe: David Blevins, Richard Monson-Haefel
Martijn Verburg (not present)
Ivar Grimstad (not present)

Eclipse: Paul Buck, Thabang, Shabnam

Review of Minutes from Prior Meeting

Neglected to distribute the minutes of the July 30 meeting.

Minutes of the July 30 and August 6 meetings will be reviewed next time.

Jakarta EE 8 Release

The core issue for today's discussion is the overall status of specification work. In last week's meeting, we determined the need to make a go/no go call for Jakarta EE 8 readiness by September 10 and to determine backup messaging.

References are provided as an Appendix to these meeting minutes.

Review of progress towards completing Jakarta EE 8 specifications and required Steering Committee decisions and guidance, including a weekly update on the status of the TCK (Scott), PMC (Ivar) and Spec Committee (Scott) process.

- Scott produced an excellent spec status summary (email from 8/12/19 10:05 PM EDT)

I have gone through every project up to wave 3 and created a comment that includes the https://raw.githubusercontent.com/jakartaee/specification-committee/master/spec_review_checklist.md with items checked off as appropriate.

The

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1LYaff0aq1d6nLmNN2H1oLYfXBh0-Mb-drdm_QxkgN5k/edit#gid=0 sheet has been updated to show the status of the associated specs with one of 4 colors:

Green - the spec PR has been approved to initiate a ballot

Yellow - the spec PR has incomplete checklist items

Red - the spec PR does not exist

Blue - the spec PR looks to have all check list items and should be ready to go to green

Jakarta Annotations
Jakarta Concurrency
Jakarta Expression Language
Jakarta Managed Beans
Jakarta XML Registries
Jakarta Deployment
Jakarta Bean Validation
Jakarta Messaging
Jakarta Persistence
Jakarta JSON Processing
Jakarta Servlet
Jakarta WebSocket
Jakarta Dependency Injection
Jakarta Interceptors
Jakarta Authorization
Jakarta XML RPC
Jakarta Authentication
Jakarta Mail
Jakarta JSON Binding
Jakarta Server Pages
Jakarta Debugging Support for Other Languages
Jakarta Contexts and Dependency Injection

- The above status was updated by Kevin (email from 8/13/19 10:51 AM EDT)

I've been reviewing our Specification PR Plan as well as the original Gantt chart put together by Scott and I found a few omissions...

Wave 1:

Jakarta Web Services Metadata: <https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/jws-api>

Jakarta SOAP Attachments: <https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/saaj-api>

Wave 2:

Jakarta XML Binding: <https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/jaxb-api>

Wave 3:

Jakarta XML Web Services: <https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/jax-ws-api>

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I know we've talked that some or all of these are part of Java SE 8 and, thus, not required for Jakarta EE 8. But, since they are referenced in the Gantt chart and the PRs do exist, I just want to verify whether these efforts are required or not. Lukas may have done quite a bit of work that was not required for Jakarta EE 8. Although, we did create work items for all of these efforts (ie. <https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/jaxb-api/issues/101>)...

In discussion it was confirmed that the four specs referenced above by Kevin are not required for Java EE 8, and the spreadsheet was updated to reflect this.

- Group Discussion of project status concluded as follows:
 - Some projects have entered ballot review.
 - Wayne needs to initiate ballots for “green” specs and will do so when he returns 8/14.
 - It was confirmed that the four specs referenced above by Kevin are not required for Java EE 8, and the tracking spreadsheet was updated to reflect this.
 - The group consensus is that all appropriate process steps are being executed. We should allow the process should continue.
 - The “pre-review” process for PRs (discussed last week) is working.
- Other project status references:
 - PR Status: <https://github.com/jakartaee/specifications/pulls>
 - Jakarta EE 8 Spec Docs: <https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/15>
 - As of August 13, 22 done, 10 in progress. 2 “completed” from last week.

- Overall schedule status of spec projects

The goal, per meeting minutes for several weeks, has been to release in “August” (prior to Code One start date of Sept 16 and JakartaOne Livestream date of Sept 10).

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14zRq36PiAmsNQuVB6t3ligCXIP3TGRCGggDmIGnAPyc/edit#gid=297538807>

Discussed Scott’s statement from last week: “There was a target to have all specs with votes in progress by the 27th, so I would say wave 6 needs to be done by the 23rd and 7 by the 26 with are the last spec committee meetings before that deadline.”

The group consensus was to allow the process to proceed for another week and to make a go/no go call by August 20 for a press release by Sept 10. Press briefings planned to begin on August 30 are the key dependency, and the team needs a reliable projection for completion to prepare for these briefings. Analyst briefings have been pushed to Aug 26-27.

If Sept 10 is not achievable, we will need a backup messaging plan. Alternatives discussed were:

- Announce Web Profile. This will not work as it depends on the full Platform.
- It is likely most specs will be in ballot review by Sept 10 (Livestream) or 17 (Code One). If so, we could communicate that final Jakarta EE 8 specifications have been created for all specifications and the process is virtually complete.
- Select a “date certain” for completion of Jakarta EE 8, plan for a press release on that date, even if that date is after Livestream and Code One. Messaging delivered at Livestream and Code One would be tailored accordingly.

We will need to deliver a Jakarta EE futures message when Jakarta EE 8 is announced. The consensus was that the futures message must be focused on request for community input.

Marketing Committee Update and Jakarta EE Update Calls

- From last time - Want Quotes and Blogs by Aug 23, Drafts Press and Blog details by Aug. 16. See Marketing Committee minutes.
- All members intending to use the logo need to sign the following:
 - https://jakarta.ee/legal/trademark_guidelines/
- JakartaOne Livestream
 - Keynote speakers about Jakarta EE 8 implementations or plans/roadmaps for implementations
 - Steering Committee panel discussion - confirm availability
- Jakarta EE Update call August 28th

- Please review/contribute to the [Agenda document](#)
- Community Day / Evening @ ECE 2019, WG members participation
 - [wiki](#) with plans is still in works
- Create Key Messages document that will be used for the fall conferences communication (starting with JakartaOne Livestream, CodeOne, ECE...)

Working Group Member Voting

- How will Jakarta EE Working Group votes be counted following IBM - Red Hat merger?
- The Eclipse Foundation is in the process of clarifying the position on this topic. Paul W will provide an update in 1-2 weeks.

Jakarta EE Next and Evolving the javax namespace (discussed only briefly - see messaging above)

- Discussion on this item was deferred to a future meeting.
- Status of the discussion on evolving the javax namespace to the jakarta namespace. May 6 document referenced below:

<https://www.eclipse.org/lists/jakartaee-platform-dev/msg00029.html>

What is the status of this discussion? For example, something that outlines the current primary options that are under discussion, and the process we will use to select a direction. Variables under discussion that we are aware of are:

- *Will Jakarta EE 9 focus on renaming only, with no new “functionality”*
- *Which packages will be renamed:*
 - *All*
 - *A designated subset (which subset)*
- *How deep will the renaming go (javax to jakarta only, or down to lower layers)*
- *Will we seek to implement all renaming in Jakarta EE 9 or will we allow for future renaming*
- *Approaches for implementing compatibility in the context of renaming*

Appendix Jakarta EE 8 Reference Docs

The following Jakarta EE 8 reference docs are provided as an Appendix to these meeting minutes.

1) The scope of the release has been agreed to as described in the following document:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/15rsZ5e3ONjsJjP635yev3dVjV5ZiKdlvRuHXQXpwQus/edit>

2) The “Next Steps” document provides an overview of the current plan:
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1VFaaE5-HaDIdm4c-ldJTcyO0sGoYcumGchq_aoNUq2M/edit#slide=id.g4d87466c3c_0_0

3) The following Google doc is being updated:
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15HdTmpvVIW53zm6wGwZoli5c1kRzM79G-ZDHe4FVMs/edit#gid=503170349>

4) Ed has drafted the following which was referenced in the May 7 and 14 meeting:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZtVZBLY2Q-zze0ftF0T0_7i0OlvhOVEkDTcBml2mG3E/edit?usp=sharing

5) Overall spec process instructions process:

- How to Prepare API Projects for the Jakarta EE 8 Release:
https://wiki.eclipse.org/How_to_Prepare_API_Projects_for_the_Jakarta_EE_8_Release
- Bill's Spec Review Checklist in markdown format (email Aug 2, 2019, 7:49 PM). It is acknowledged that there may be minor formatting issues that are accepted for this release. These will be determined as part of the Spec Committee review. Recommended that open issues should be captured/filed, e.g. in PRs. We intend to maintain the quality of specifications:
 - https://github.com/jakartaee/specification-committee/blob/master/spec_review_checklist.md
- The [Common Mistakes](#) document