Minutes of the January 8 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

The Zoom ID is:
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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
Tomitribe: David Blevins, Richard Monson-Hafael
Martijn Verburg
Ivar Grimstad

Eclipse: Mike Milinkovich

Welcome Paul Buck.

Review of Minutes from Prior Meeting

The December 11 Meeting Minutes were approved
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xB2WBZVnfCTR9O0ugr7L95ZauEFZ3cCJh2TQBslRFSw/edit?usp=sharing

The December 18 Meeting Minutes were approved
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PD01p7vTaZlvOKtl4oMZicyK7Dd-iHzbz2cf6zLKsjE/edit?usp=sharing

Updates on work for Eclipse GlassFish release

Goal for GA announcement: Eclipse GlassFish 5.1 passes updated Java EE 8 CTS 100%.

Eclipse GlassFish 5.1:
- Built at EE4J
- All GlassFish components formerly built from Oracle sources are built from EE4J sources that Oracle has contributed to EE4J.

Updated Java EE 8 CTS:
- Java EE 8 CTS binary tests executed on Oracle infrastructure.
- Java EE 8 CTS binary tests that are verified to pass 100% on the latest Java EE 8 RI.
The latest Java EE 8 RI is Oracle GlassFish 5.0.1, containing fixes also included in EE4J sources.

Update from Marketing Committee meeting last week:

We have successfully integrated all contributed components, into Eclipse GlassFish. This was communicated by e-mail to the Jakarta EE Steering Committee and in a tweet from Dmitry Kornilov on Dec. 22, 2018.

Based on our progress and an Oracle team status assessment, we will be ready to release Eclipse GlassFish 5.1.0 on (or after) Jan 28th, 2019.

Marketing Committee proposes a Tuesday, Jan 29, 2019 announcement date per note from Mike DeNicola (minor edit below):

At today’s Marketing Committee meeting, based on Ed Bratt's projected January 28, 2019 date for the final release of Eclipse GlassFish 5.1.0, the Committee agreed to making the formal Release Date for Eclipse GlassFish 5.1.0 as Tuesday, January 29, 2019.

The Committee feels that Monday is not a good day to make major announcements, so unless the Steering Committee has major concerns about the announcement being on Tuesday, January 29, they will proceed with their plan. Please get back to us if you have any concerns.

More recent update from Dmitry:

1. All components have been integrated to Eclipse GlassFish before Christmas 2018. Project board is closed:
   https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/6

2. Last Eclipse GlassFish 5.1 build on Oracle infra results (the page is in Oracle internal network):

   Passed: 99.61%
   Failed: 0.17%
   Skipped: 0.22%

   Tracking board:
   https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/8

   Failures in security-api, jsf/mojarra, jsp:
security-api -> No response from Payara since Dec 8, 2018
https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/security-api/issues/109

jsf/mojarra -> Arjan reported as fixed. Build/CTS run are in progress
https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/mojarra/issues/4525

JSP -> no response from Mark Thomas
https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/jsp-api/issues/84

3. It's time to start releasing components which passed TCK/CTS tests.

Tracking board:
https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/9

Steering Committee confirmed the Tuesday Jan 29, 2019 formal Release Date for Eclipse GlassFish 5.1.0, and readiness for their teams to support this date. The software will be available for download NLT than Monday Jan 28, 2019.

Dmitry will open a bug regarding issues encountered with the staging/release process for future resolution.

Comment from David Blevins:

A discussion we need to have early in 2019 is cleaning up the line between Jakarta EE Working Group and GlassFish. This has been mentioned a few times in 2018. This does not need to be immediately resolved. However we should more actively discuss it and ensure the discussion is in the minutes. I fully appreciate the complexities here, particularly around finding ways to show progress.

It is agreed this release is a major milestone, though the Jakarta EE 8 milestone will be promoted more heavily. It is also agreed that an ongoing basis, this Eclipse GlassFish is not a reference implementation, or a preferred or favored implementation for Jakarta EE. It is expected that all WG members will promote their own implementations, as Eclipse will. We need to promote Jakarta EE generally for all implementations on a fair basis.

Planning for the end of year announcements:

Tracking document for this announcement activity is given below.
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1RjZMySf_dLkBhQu1wl8KgKml8BZLtDOWFQXbMW_d-Zg/edit#gid=0

All Working Group members are requested to complete this document and proactively drive support for the announcement through their marketing orgs.
Legal Documents

Trademark Licensing Agreement

In prior discussions Oracle has described an approach to this agreement which would have required Oracle to assert significant influence/oversight over the spec process and evolution of existing specifications. Oracle received negative feedback on this approach.

In a call between Oracle and the Eclipse Foundation the week before holiday break, we have decided to adopt a less restrictive approach to this agreement, which is intended to simplify the agreement itself, enable use of the existing javax namespace, and evolution of the existing java namespace as required for compatibility. We continue to assume a new namespace will be used for net new APIs. Oracle and Eclipse agree this approach is better for Jakarta EE going forward.

In this approach, Oracle would not license the use of Java names in specifications or use of “J” acronyms like “JSP” as had previously been intended. We will review, for group feedback, a proposal for renaming of specifications using a Jakarta-centric naming convention.

Summary
Feedback is positive on the general approach, Oracle and Eclipse will follow up on this approach.
We need a pick a spec naming convention (come back to it next week). I will forward the xls to the Steering Committee.
The group challenged the notion of “J” acronyms as trademarked.

Marketing Committee Update

On Jan 3, the Marketing Committee decided to change the January 30 scheduled Jakarta EE WG teleconference into a Town Hall meeting of the Community; reviewing Jakarta EE accomplishments to-date and our plans going forward.

Working Group members are requested to nominate panel participants.

Bootstrapping Specification Projects

It was discussed at our last Steering Committee meeting that Mike would prepare a resolution for this meeting. We did not have time for this discussion topic today.