Minutes of the July 2 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-Haefel
Martijn Verburg
Ivar Grimstad

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

Review of Minutes from Prior Meeting

Minutes of the June 18 meeting were approved.

Minutes of the June 25 meeting will be reviewed next time.

Jakarta EE 8 Release

References

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-IdJTcyO0sGoYcumGchqAoNUq2M/edit#slide=id.g4d87466c3c_0_0

3) The following Google doc is being updated: 
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15HdTmpvlVIW53zm6wGwZoli5c1kRzM79G-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_7I0olvhOKEkDTCmI2mG3E/edit?usp=sharing
Review of required Steering Committee decisions and guidance, including a weekly update on the status of the TCK (Scott), PMC (Ivar) and Spec Committee (Scott) process was requested.

- The Platform Spec project team needs to put together a plan for the Platform Spec.
  - As discussed last time, this is placed at the top of the Steering Committee agenda. Is there a plan for this?
    - No plan at this time, non-trivial effort.
    - Need to recruit community support.
    - Looking for list of spec team project leads.

- Update on obtaining clearance for copyrights to Java EE 8 Platform specification?
  - Done, including Full and Web Profile.
  - There is no committed date, at this time, for clearance of any other component specifications. All component spec teams should assume that copyright clearance for component specifications will not be obtained in time for delivery of Jakarta EE 8. All component specification project teams should assume “boilerplate” specifications, without specification text, will be all that is delivered for component specifications for Jakarta EE 8.

- PMC update on the progress of spec project renaming and creation of scope statements (Ivar):

  Links to GitHub projects below:
  - Scope statements tracking: https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/10
  - Project renaming tracking: https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/11
  - Spec project creation tracking: https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/13
  - Jakarta EE 8 TCK jobs tracking: https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/14

  - The project boards indicated that as of July 2 AM, 15 scope statements are done, 10 ready for review by Spec Committee.
    - The project board was out of date. Wayne reported the Spec committee has approved all 25 statements (one includes three specs)
    - Wayne will update project board
    - Batch, CDI, DI, BV are deliberately not represented in the above boards. Batch, CDI, DI are planned for creation on July 10. BV planned for July 3.

  - The project boards indicated as of July 2 AM, 5 spec project names are approved, 20 ready for approval by Spec Committee
    - The project board was out of date. Wayne reported the Spec committee has approved all 25 spec project names (one includes three specs)
    - Wayne will update project board
    - There is a plan for Batch, CDI, DI, BV
● The project boards indicated as of July 2 AM, 14 spec projects created, 1 in review #2, 11 in review #3, 2 candidates
  ○ Wayne will update this board
● 3 TCK jobs done, 7 in progress, 20 to do

There was general discussion on how to communicate what needs to be done to prepare API projects for the Jakarta EE 8 Release, including verifying that the new APIs pass the standalone TCK tests.

Dmitry has prepared the following document giving guidance on this topic: https://wiki.eclipse.org/How_to_Prepare_API_Projects_to_Jakarta_EE_8_Release

Based on this guidance, a new board is being created to track this activity across all component specification projects. See below from Ivar: https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/15

The Eclipse Foundation will create a mailing list for spec leads in order to communicate this guidance to individual spec project leads. Next meeting we will review the status of this activity across spec projects.

● Update on TCK Process Document and JESP Operations Document progress (Scott was out this week, so there was group feedback on these topics):

The TCK Process Document was approved per Spec Committee meeting on June 26. https://docs.google.com/document/d/1eg7nqACM59Ptn6ph20WVifvkadsl-yfpe5TU1scx8/edit#

The JESP Operations Document was discussed but not concluded on June 28. https://docs.google.com/document/d/1DoGhd7_d6SBDGhii-9J1iiG_i99ZqWae0WAS7eYUg/edit#heading=h.vfkw0dmgrp52

The consensus is that completing the JESP Operations Document is not a blocker for Jakarta EE 8, though there are open questions that will need to be answered during overall project delivery.

● EFSP 1.2 and JESP update

  ○ EFSP 1.2 was voted on by Spec Committee and recommended for approval. Final approval was granted by the Executive Director of the Eclipse Foundation (Mike Milinkovich) on June 28.
  ○ JESP update will be sent out for approval today.
• The EFSP, JESP, and TCK Process Documents, must all be approved by July 22 given the current review period.
  ○ Per discussion above, the EFSP and TCK Process documents are complete and approved. The JESP update will be sent out for approval today.

• Release timing

  The goal is a target date of August (prior to Code One start date of Sept 16 and JakartaOne Livestream date of Sept 10).

  There is currently no change to the Jakarta EE 8 schedule spreadsheet, though there are multiple risks to the current schedule as captured above.
  https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14zRq36PiAmsNQuVB6t3igCXIP3TGRCGqDmlGnAPyc/edit#gid=297538807

• Guidance on the use of acronyms has been published and emailed to community:
  https://jakarta.ee/legal/acronym_guidelines/

• Steering Committee approved the document describing the recommended approach for creation of boilerplate specifications:
  https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EGSr8mmNKIp3eb7odz6jpOoc3gwTISO3uzFMuvf5wc/edit?ts=5d122bdd

• Question on the recording of ballots. **No time for discussion**
  ○ Eclipse will come back with a description of what exists today and what they propose going forward. Something similar to the JCP ballot process where comments could be captured.

• Proposal to split specification repositories. **No time for discussion**
  It is assumed this requirement/issue is out of scope for Jakarta EE 8 and we deferred this discussion.

• Wayne was to research prior consideration by Eclipse Foundation on acquiring NexusPro for the purposes of holding TCK binaries being proposed while in use by compatible implementations. This requirement/issue is out of scope for Jakarta EE 8 discussion and was deferred.

**Jakarta EE Next and Evolving the javax namespace**
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

In effect, this discussion is paused because of Jakarta EE 8 work.

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

Eclipse Foundation Update

- Recommend a review, perhaps in a separate meeting, of research reported on at the Eclipse Foundation Board of Directors meeting: “Strategic Research to Grow and Deepen Foundation Member Commitment”.
- Will discuss this more thoroughly next time.

Marketing Committee Update and Jakarta EE Update Calls

- The following from Tanja was reviewed very briefly.

  A quick reminder about the upcoming call on July 17th. The link to the document agenda is here.

  Here is what I have in the document so far, but I am happy to hear from all with suggestions.

  - Jakarta EE 8 release
    - Status on progress and plans (Ed Bratt/ Dmitry Kornilov)
    - PMC / Projects Update (Ivar Grimstad)
      - Progress on specification name changes / specification scope definitions
  - Jakarta EE TCK process update (Scott Stark)
- What’s after Jakarta EE 8 (?)
  - Update re. transitioning from javax namespace to the jakarta namespace (David Blevins)
- JakartaOne Livestream - (Tanja Obradovic)
- EclipseCon Europe - (Paul White)

**Jakarta “Summit” - No time for discussion**

Consensus has been to work on defining an agenda when there is more clarity on the resolution of legal issues.
Tomitribe does not intend to join
Payara has other commitments.
Oracle continues to be interested. IBM is supportive (Kevin continues to be supportive).