Minutes of June 11 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

The Zoom ID is:
https://eclipse.zoom.us/j/499849869

Attendees:

Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura, Mike Denicola
IBM: Dan Bandera, Kevin Sutter, Ian Robinson
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, and team

Review of Minutes from Prior Meeting

Minutes of the May 28 meeting are approved.

Minutes of the June 4 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-HaDldm4c-lkJTcyO0sGoYcumGchq_aoNUq2M/edit#slide=id.g4d87466c3c_0_0

3) The following Google doc is being updated:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15HdTmpvlIWIW53zm6wGwZoli5c1kRzM79G-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_7j0OlvhOvEkdTcBml2mG3E/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.

- 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 scope statement deadline was June 7, after June 7 PMC was to create them. What is the target completion date for this activity?
  - As of the June 11 meeting, 9 were ready, 6 in progress, 10 to do, with some that still need to be added. These will move through the process, but no firm date for completion. Hoping for the end of the month, depending on the Spec Committee review.

- Other tasks (project renaming, spec project creation, TCK jobs) will align with the creation review process. Is there an update on this?
  - 5 projects ready for approval at the Spec Committee. Need some clarification on javax RMI sources in the ORB project.

- 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. Will report in Friday TCK meeting.
  - No update on 6/11. Tracking issue: https://bugs.eclipse.org/bugs/show_bug.cgi?id=543462

- Update from Scott on TCK and Spec Process progress

  As of last week, the TCK Process Guide Document was close to closure. I believe the current document is below. Is there an expected completion date for this document? https://docs.google.com/document/d/1eg7ngACM59Ptn6ph20WVifvjkadsI-yfpe5TPUJscx8/edit#heading=h.c86x9rk7bay9

  The TCK process doc is considered to be largely done. Needs to be scrubbed and voted on.

  Oracle provided converted Specifications last week. Is there any general update on Spec Process? Is the following “Steps to Complete JESP for Jakarta EE 8” the document of record? Is there an expected completion date for this document?
The finalization/review of this document has not been started. These documents are prerequisites to finalizing any deliveries of either the TCKs, the Specifications, or their associated material.

- 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).

Review of Ed’s schedule spreadsheet: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14zRq36PiAmsNQuVB6t3IigCXlP3TGRCqgDmlGnAPyc/edit#gid=297538807

Ed believes the schedule is achievable.

- As of last week, Wayne was to propose EFSP 1.2 and JESP update to address schedule concerns and Spec Committee review in time for a call next Weds (June 12) with the hope for a vote on June 12. Wayne sent email June 10. Is this on schedule and is the progress reflected in the xls above?
  - Hopeing for a vote tomorrow.

- The release must be ready for review by July 22. There is a 30-day ballot period defined in the JESP.
  - David proposed the group consider whether we would all agree to waive the 30-day review period. Dan noted we would have to agree that all votes, when cast, must be irrevocable. Paul White will draft potential language. We are not changing the schedule at this time.

- The EFSP, JESP, TCK and Spec Process documents must all be approved by July 22 given the review period.

- The Platform spec scope statement is in progress and will be next up for review at Spec Committee. The spec project team is not organized yet.

- Proposal to split specification repositories

At the last Steering Committee Meeting, it was requested that David create a specific proposal that identifies specific repositories to be split for Steering Committee
discussion. See link below. We agreed to review over the next week (including in mail) and vote at Steering Committee this week.

- https://docs.google.com/document/d/14fSyoe6lfYL-mBZwPVVayy6OPyk4nsTVzOK4j2FodQY/edit#
- https://github.com/jakarta-ee (preview)

There was a discussion regarding whether the Eclipse Foundation has a responsibility to host a compatible implementation. It does, but it need not be ready at Spec GA.

The Steering Committee voted on whether to approve the proposal from David Blevins to split the repositories with timing to be determined at a later date. The proposal was approved with voting as follows.

Yes Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura
Yes IBM: Dan Bandera
No Oracle: Will Lyons
Abstain Payara: Steve Millidge
Yes Red Hat: Mark Little, Scott Stark
Yes Tomitribe: David Blevins, Richard Monson-Haefel
Yes Martijn Verburg
Yes Ivar Grimstad

- Progress on the discussion on the use of acronyms:

  Oracle created a separate document for "Oracle Requirements and Guidance on the use of Oracle/JCP marks and acronyms in Jakarta EE specifications":
  https://docs.google.com/document/d/1r44eNqn361ORJxRrkS36cKz3OkBSfwxE8ZXi5_49PQ/edit?usp=sharing

  Oracle created an alternative “Steering Committee Guidance” document to the document we were working with last week. "Jakarta EE Steering Committee Guidance on Usage of Oracle/JCP Marks and Acronyms within Jakarta EE Specifications":
  https://docs.google.com/document/d/16PX3cfdeuTq_EDtpNpgXX9rcP_9nGx40nKmk5KfMoL8/edit

  Oracle suggested using the above, or return to the document discussed last week:
  https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PYN40qEguitcmg8EL5hINP8116CQ2CDQDTihQ2UidI/edit
Last week, Kevin stated that in the case of JPA for example, we will probably rename the "Java Persistence API" the "Jakarta Persistence API", and renaming all of the references to JPA in the JPA Spec would be a lot of work. Dan Bandera requested that Oracle indicate which of these marks and acronyms listed are Oracle registered trademarks.

- As of June 11, Oracle was reviewing the guidance given in the documents above and is considering relaxing some of the requirements. We would like to provide a holistic update and will do this ASAP.

- Update on obtaining clearance for copyrights to Java EE 8 specifications (esp the Platform specification)? As of last meeting, the Eclipse team had shortened the list to likely participants in Platform Spec. Targeting 60 people currently. Wayne will publish a status metric. Have requested all SC members sign off (have two agreements signed as of last week). Expect to send out broad emails over the next week.
  - [There was not enough time to discuss this topic in the June 11 meeting]

- Bill Shannon has created a "specification template" project for creating boilerplate specifications. We should review this.
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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/jakartaeeproject-dev/msg00029.html

Is there a structured summary of the status of this discussion, for example, something that outlines the current primary options that are under discussion, the process we will use to select a direction, and the plan for the June 12 community call. Variables under discussion that I am 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
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Other Agreements Between Working Group Members and the Eclipse Foundation

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Marketing Committee Update

● [There was not enough time to discuss this topic in the June 11 meeting]

Jakarta EE committee elections

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Jakarta “Summit”

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).
Paul will inquire about the possibility of keeping this on the calendar. Suggests 20-30 attendees is minimum for viability. Still working on Ottawa as the location.

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