Minutes of May 21 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

The Zoom ID is:
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Attendees:

Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura, Mike Denicola
IBM: Ian Robinson, Kevin Sutter
Oracle: Will Lyons
Payara: Not present
Red Hat: John Clingan, Scott Stark
Tomitribe: David Blevins, Richard Monson-Haefel
Martijn Verburg - Arrived late
Ivar Grimstad

Eclipse: Wayne, Paul W., Paul B and Mike M.

Review of Minutes from Prior Meeting

Minutes of the May 7 meeting were approved.

Minutes of the May 14 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/15rsZ5e3ONjsJjP635yev3dVj5ZiKdIvRuHXQXpwQus/edit

2) The “Next Steps” document provides an overview of the current plan:
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1VFaaE5-HaDIdm4c-IaJTcyO0sGoYcumGchq_aoNUq2M/edit#slide=id.g4d87466c3c_0_0

3) The following Google doc is being updated:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15HdTmpvlVlW53z6wGwZoli5c1kRzM79G-ZDHe4FVM/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/ed it?usp=sharing
Follow-up from prior meetings

In the May 14 meeting, the consensus was that PMC should pick up the bulk of project management activity for Jakarta EE 8, and that the Steering Committee would ask PMC for a proposed release date of Jakarta EE 8. Paul White suggested a target date of Sept 10. Has the PMC assumed responsibility for project management of Jakarta EE 8? Is there a summary of how this release will be managed, and a target date, or a date for a date? Which of the Jakarta EE planning documents (1-4) listed above, are operative at this point?

The PMC is tracking the progress of spec project renaming and creation of scope statements.

Ivar posted 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

Apart from the issues with respect to Tomitribe’s participation agreement (see below), are the issues raised by Wayne’s document “Restructuring Review Planning” (Spec Projects) (link below) resolved?
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EewLB5S0VSDGtGJVvWPTVKRi_DyEmgNX6EpyskM4Tc/edit

Wayne has committed to getting 3-5 projects through this process and apply lessons learned to the remainder. PMC has set May 31 as a deadline for the scope statements exercise for all projects.

Is there an update on Scott’s document “Steps to Complete JESP for Jakarta EE 8” which was to be reviewed at Spec Committee:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/12DsBDdDVO-jnOrrZYnOjx0tuAzZcoTumO6GvyS5c_DY/edit#heading=h.46tuhwbnxr3

A weekly update on the status of the TCK (Scott), PMC (Ivar) and Spec Committee (Scott) process was requested.

In the May 14 meeting, there was a question of which Java EE acronyms must be changed for use in Jakarta EE. Paul White was to discuss with Mike M and make a recommendation to the Steering Committee. Has a recommendation been made? Tabled until next week. Ivar recommended no reference to acronyms in specifications.

Is there an update on obtaining clearance for copyrights to Java EE 8 specifications (esp the Platform specification)? The work has begun. Have a handful of agreements, and have a list of individuals, scoping the work and pursuing agreements in parallel. Update next call.
Scott has a request into Wayne regarding moving BV and CDI projects over.

**Managing the Jakarta EE vNext Discussion**

From last meeting it appears that Spec Committee will be managing the conclusion of the discussion by June 9.

Is there an update on this process?

Last time it was agreed that June 9 was optimistic. At this time there is no clear agreement. June 9 may need to be a target date for a plan for next steps. Scott suggested documenting “use cases” to better illustrate implications of the options. Ian suggested that it would be useful to have a spec use case that demonstrated whether big bang or incremental would be better.

**Other Agreements Between Working Group Members and the Eclipse Foundation**

Paul and David will clarify remaining questions related to Tomitribe and the Tomitribe Participation Agreement and bring this to Steering Committee on May 21 (today).

- Need to finalize paperwork for Tomitribe committers so that they do not need to be removed from the committer list. They can be re-elected but it would require another election for each committer, on each impacted project.

Excerpt from email from Paul:

**Situation:** Tomitribe wants to be able to certify Apache TomEE as Jakarta EE 8 compatible and have TomEE mentioned on the Eclipse Foundation Jakarta EE certified product page along with Tomitribe as the company that certified TomEE. Tomitribe does not distribute TomEE, users download it from Apache.

**The group discussed and agreed to the following proposal to modify the guidelines for the Jakarta EE™ guidelines:**

- Strategic Members in good standing of the Jakarta EE Working Group, with the approval of the Jakarta EE Steering Committee, are entitled to have an open source compatible application server included on the Eclipse Foundation Jakarta EE compatible products page, along with their company name, a link to their company’s website, and a download link to the open source project where users can get the compatible application server.

Requirement:

- The Member remains in good standing.
- The Member follows the Jakarta EE TCK process to run the applicable TCK.
- The Member and open source project complies with all requirements of the Eclipse Foundation TCK License.
- The Member notifies the Foundation of their results by submitting the required details on the compatible products request page.
- The product logo will be included on the compatible products page provided it is made available by the open source project.

- This proposal does entitle the Member itself to use the Jakarta EE compatibility logo in conjunction with the open source compatible application server. They may also include a link to the Jakarta compatible products page on their website and in other collateral.

Fujitsu: Yes
IBM: Yes
Oracle: Yes
Payara: Not present
Red Hat: Yes
Tomitribe: Yes
Martijn Verburg: Yes
Ivar Grimstad: Yes

This will need to be brought to the Marketing Committee for approval of actual wording. Pending that, this will enable Tomitribe to sign a Participation Agreement.

**Marketing Committee Update**

Expect to have updates on branding documents on May 21 - tied to Tomitribe discussion.

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

Any update on the content of the logos, differentiating between a Jakarta EE WG members, and a Jakarta EE committer (which would require a third logo).

**Jakarta EE committee elections**

Paul and Tanja intend to start a call for nominations this week.

We should discuss the process for including a PMC member.
Paul W. will take action on this. Need to come back to this next week.

**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.