

Minutes of the September 14, 2021 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

Please refer to your meeting invitation for the zoom password.

Attendees:

Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura

IBM: Dan Bandera, Neil Patterson, Ian Robinson, Kevin Sutter, Alasdair Nottingham (guest)

Oracle: Ed Bratt, Will Lyons, Dmitry Kornilov

Payara: Eliot Martin

Red Hat: Mark Little, Scott Stark

Tomitribe: Jonathan Gallimore (attending)

Enterprise Member representative: Jun Qian

Participant member representative: Martijn Verburg

Committee member representative: Arjan Tijms

(Quorum is 5 -- simple-majority or one-half of the members (if even number) must be present)

Eclipse: Paul White, Tanja Obradovic, Ivar Grimstad, Wayne Beaton, Shabnam Mayal

Review of Minutes from Prior Meetings

Minutes of the August 17 (no quorum present) and August 31 meetings were approved.

Jakarta EE 2021 Developer Survey Update - Thank you!

- <https://blogs.eclipse.org/post/ivar-grimstad/2021-jakarta-ee-developer-survey>
- [Link to announcement](#), and [social kit](#) for members to promote. Members, please amplify
- Shabnam will share on community lists as well

Charter Update (see email from Sharon Corbett dated August 30)

- The following proposed amendments to the Jakarta EE Working Group Charter have been prepared:
 - * Remove requirement of new strategic members to commit to joining for a 3-year period
 - This will make future recruiting of Strategic members simpler
 - * Remove the Requirements Committee

- The committee has never taken flight and no appetite to do so
- * Add Governance Applicable Documents (general alignment):
 - Eclipse Foundation Code of Conduct
 - Eclipse Foundation Communication Channel Guidelines
- * Add Governance Language:
 - “The working group is designed as a welcoming and professional environment”
- * Adjust Elected Representatives Term to reflect a 12-month period rather than April to March
- * Remove the requirement of Guest Member invitation to join the Working Group (align with Working Group Process)
- * Remove references to “Good Standing” (align with the Eclipse Foundation Bylaws)

The [Draft](#) is now ready for the Steering Committee's review. Please feel free to make any suggested edits/comments to the Google Doc.

Should additional revisions be required, we will summarize those in a subsequent email with a view to final approval. Best Regards,

- The proposed amendments were unanimously approved by the Steering Committee members present.

Proposal on Contingency Fund Allocation (Paul White)

- References
 - [Developer badging proposal](#)
 - Marketing meeting minutes: [Link to minutes](#) - Scroll down to the August 12th minutes
- Excerpt from the August 31, 2021 Steering Committee meeting minutes

As mentioned during the Q2 program plan and budget update, there are \$56,000 in funds as yet unallocated in the Jakarta EE 2021 working group budget. These were funds that the Steering Committee had asked the Foundation to not allocate in the budget approved last fall, with the intention of applying them to initiatives throughout the year. As a reminder, the expectation is that funds collected by the working group in any calendar year be allocated in that fiscal year (i.e., carry forwards from one fiscal year to the next are not expected).

There are two activities that the Foundation proposes to allocate these funds towards:

1. Badging program scoping. As I indicated in my email on August 17, we are proposing to allocate \$25,000 to enable the Foundation to develop and define a potential Jakarta EE badging program. The funds will be used by the Foundation to carry out research

and engage with industry in this work. As I had noted earlier, the targeted outcome would be to develop a proposal for the Steering Committee to consider that outlines a potential badging program, including an estimate of both start-up and ongoing costs and potential outcomes.

2. Jakarta.ee website enhancements. Recall the proposed 2021 budget originally had \$40,000 allocated to enable the Foundation to carry out significant enhancements to the Jakarta EE website. Some initial design had been done in 2020, but at the time the Steering Committee held off on including the website enhancements in the budget “as a precaution” in case new priorities arose. The allocation of the remaining \$31,000 in funds will enable us to do the bulk of the intended work in 2021. While less than the original \$40,000 earmarked, we believe we can complete most of the intended enhancements based on this allocation by year end.

- Will Lyons proposed the following resolution, originally suggested by Paul White:

RESOLVED, the Steering Committee approves the allocation of the \$56,000 in unallocated contingency funds towards the badging program scoping and the enhancements to the jakarta.ee website.

- The vote on this resolution was as follows:

Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura +1

IBM: Dan Bandera, Neil Patterson, Ian Robinson +1

Oracle: Ed Bratt, Will Lyons, Dmitry Kornilov +1

Payara: Eliot Martin +1

Red Hat: Mark Little, Scott Stark +1

Tomitribe: Jonathan Gallimore (attending) did not vote

Enterprise Member representative: Jun Qian +1

Participant member representative: Martijn verburg +1

Committer member representative: Arjan Tijms +1

The resolution was unanimously approved by the Steering Committee members present.
Budgets will be updated accordingly.

Jakarta EE Working Group Meeting (see email from Will Lyons dated August 31)

- Proposed Agenda for Working Group Meeting

Proposed date: October 19 12:30 Eastern Time

[Prior dates suggested - October 12 or October 5 - are problematic]

Goal of the Meeting is to solicit input from members on what would make the Working Group and membership more valuable for them.

1) Overview of CY2021 program plan and accomplishments through Q3

- Include drill-down on the following by other presenters
- Jakarta EE Specifications Update
- Jakarta EE Marketing Update
- Jakarta EE and MicroProfile

2) Review of Program Planning Status for CY2022

3) Open forum for input

- CY2022 Program Plan
- Making the Working Group more valuable for members
- We agreed to set the date, and circulate this Agenda for Working Group (including non-SC members) for feedback and conclude on the agenda next time.

Program Plan and Budget Process (Paul White)

- Paul White reviewed the Eclipse budgeting process so we can begin our planning for CY2022.
 - Program plan due 1st week of November
 - Budget due third week of November
- A link to the presentation we reviewed is provided below:
 - https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1_TobVjm4SF69rrSrQ8LbPwI9CXhmMtha
- The Steering Committee agreed to the following next steps:
 - Distribute the CY2021 program plan as a reference
 - https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1ovAE7dfZ-QoBKfph4UzwwgvD8DM8dftiTXaxuy7-rOMI/edit#slide=id.gae9757cb85_0_0
 - Steering Committee members will provide feedback for CY2022 by **COB next Weds (Sept 22)**
 - Will and Tanja have created a (very draft) CY2022 program plan outline (below) by copying last year's program plan and making very minor changes (e.g. changing dates and deleting completed items). Steering Committee members have the option of making comments in this document and/or providing comments in email to the Steering Committee alias.

- https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1HOxe-zXRTTUzFcyllxKwsYukWQg5FORb0iayTVIt6U4/edit#slide=id.gae9757cb85_0_0
- Feedback may include
 - High-level comments
 - Any fundamental changes
 - New initiatives
 - Changes to existing items (more, less, specific line items)
 - Redirection of efforts to other priorities
- Will and Tanja will collate the feedback received for discussion at the next Steering Committee meeting, and will distribute by COB Sept 24

JakartaOne Livestream status report (Tanja Obradovic)

- Update from Tanja
- Link to be added
 - https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/10BfyhzP2GNfMme9siD2f8Af5_MGTQzWFOXIG2751yEE/edit#slide=id.gef656cc992_1_16
- Please sign up for Vendor Talks
 - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1jknN2BxqJHvnknpMbEZj_zmCaoxMIRjzhXHO7Gn-LLE/edit#gid=1128549320

Jakarta Config Patent License

- See email forwarded to Steering Committee September 14 AM
- Before reballoting the Jakarta Config spec, Dmitry ran a vote among members of the project team proposing use of the Compatible Patent License

From: Dmitry Kornilov

Sent: Tuesday, September 14, 2021 10:59 AM

To: Jakarta Config project developer discussions <config-dev@eclipse.org>

Subject: Jakarta Config patent license ballot results

Hi,

Jakarta Config ballot is finished. Ballot results:

CPL:

Dmitry Kornilov

Laird Nelson

Jan Supol

Tomas Langer

Kenji Kazumura
Steve Millidge
Ondro Mihalyi
Takahiro Nagao

Total: 8

IPL:

Emily Jiang
David Lloyd
Roerto Cortez
Mark Struberg
Tom Evans
David Blevins

Total: 6

CPL won with 8 votes vs 6 for IPL.

The next step is asking the steering committee approval to use CPL for Jakarta Config. I'll bring it to the meeting agenda today.

- Will Lyons proposed that the Steering Committee approve use of the (non-default) Compatibility Patent License (CPL) for the Jakarta Config specification project. Discussion topics included.
 - Whether this is the recommended process/approach for granting exceptions to the default Implementation Patent License. The current version of the Eclipse Foundation Spec Process (EFSP) does not currently define such a process/approach, but this is the process/approach being proposed for the next revision of the EFSP.
 - If the Steering Committee approves use of CPL with Jakarta Config, the expectation would be that the Jakarta Config spec project would be proposed with CPL.
 - If the Steering Committee does not approve use of CPL with Jakarta Config, the Jakarta Config project team would need to consider what next steps to take based on that decision.
- As time was running out, we agreed to defer a vote on the proposal to the next Steering Committee meeting to ensure that proper consideration is given to the proposal.

-----The following items were not discussed due to time constraints-----

Elections

- Note from Zahra Fazli on Sept 8:

The Jakarta EE Working Group Charter [1] identifies three key committees to drive the various facets of the working group for which there are annual elected positions to be filled: the Steering Committee, the Specification Committee, and the Marketing and Brand Committee.

The elected positions are to represent each of the Enterprise Members, Participant Members, and Committer Members. Note that Strategic Members each have a representative appointed to these committees, and thus Strategic member companies do not participate in this election.

Through this email, we are announcing that the Foundation will hold elections on behalf of the working group using the proposed timetable listed below.

All members are encouraged to consider nominating someone for the positions, and self-nominations are welcome. The period for nominations is September 8, 2021 - September 16, 2021. Nominations should be sent to this mailing list indicating related Committee/Seat.

Once nominations are closed, we will announce the candidates, and will distribute ballots via email. The election process will follow the Eclipse “Single Transferable Vote” method, as defined in the Eclipse Bylaws [2].

The winning candidates will be announced on this mailing list shortly after the elections are concluded.

Election Schedule

Nomination Period: September 8, 2021 - September 16, 2021

Election Period: September 21 - 28, 2021

Winning Candidates Announced: September 30, 2021

The following positions will be filled as part of this election:

Steering Committee

One seat allocated for Participant Members

One seat allocated for Committer Members

Specification Committee

One seat allocated for Participant Members

One seat allocated for Committer Members

Marketing and Brand Committee

One seat allocated for Participant Members

One seat allocated for Committer Members

Please note while all Committees provide for two seats allocated for Enterprise Members, there are currently only two Enterprise level members of the working group. As a result, there is no requirement to hold an election for those seats.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

[1] https://www.eclipse.org/org/workinggroups/jakarta_ee_charter.php

[2] <https://www.eclipse.org/org/documents/>

Best Regards,

Zahra

- See email from David Blevins on Sept 10:

Seems like we need to make a decision if we want the elections to be at the same time every year or for a 12-month period regardless of when they happen. Here are all our election announcements to date:

June 10, 2018 - <https://www.eclipse.org/lists/jakarta.ee-wg/msg00087.html>

May 21, 2019 - <https://www.eclipse.org/lists/jakarta.ee-wg/msg00288.html>

March 30, 2020 - <https://www.eclipse.org/lists/jakarta.ee-wg/msg00410.html>

January 4, 2021 - <https://www.eclipse.org/lists/jakarta.ee-wg/msg00577.html> (marketing committee only)

I can live with either a fixed time every year or a strict 12-month policy. Some thoughts on both.

12-MONTH APPROACH

We had vacancies in the Marketing Committee from 2020 elections. We filled them earlier this year. If we follow the strict 12-month rule, we'd need to omit them from the elections we just announced. This means those seats will be out of sync with the rest. That can be survivable, but there are some policies we'd need to decide. One is what happens if someone is elected as a chair, but their seat goes up for election mid-year and they do not win? Or they're elect to a seat, but change their membership class in January?

CALENDAR APPROACH

As far as I know, Memberships are not for 12 month terms, but begin in January and are pro-rated till Dec 31st if you join mid-year. This can be simpler, but can result in shorter terms in the event a vacant seat is filled mid year. If we go this route, we'd be likely smarter to keep elections fairly close-ish to the start of the year. Last year we kicked off in March, which gives us a good 9 month overlap with everyone's Eclipse and Working Group memberships, which seems pretty good. Elections can then also be a predictable event for the community.

In this approach sometimes people's seats will be shorter if they're filling a vacant seat.

What are people's thoughts or preferences?

Objectives Review - Reminder of action items, please review spreadsheet for your items

- Review, adjust and redefine Q3 objectives that we set out early this year.
 - The [2021 Jakarta EE Program Plan - by quarter](#) presentation and
 - The [corresponding Q3 2021](#) tab in the spreadsheet
- Follow-up items from last time:
 - Cesar Hernandez to check in w/ David progress and expectations regarding “Advance Implementation Neutrality” objectives - no update
 - If we do not have a plan by end of Q3 for pursuing this, I prefer to drop this topic
 - Paul Buck has followed up w/ Neil and Shabnam to request updates to the “Drive Jakarta EE Brand, Awareness and Adoption” objectives
 - Is “Content for Jakarta EE as a reliable, trusted platform for End-User Innovation” a Q3 objective - no update
 - [\[Neil - Marketing committee agreed that we would be producing articles aligned with the objective “Promote Jakarta EE as a reliable, trusted platform for cloud-native innovation”\]](#)

- Paul Buck has followed up with Martijn on “Enable Ecosystem Transition to jakarta namespace” objectives
 - There are a number of objectives listed as dependent on a “lead” (see xls)
 - these are being pursued
- Will Lyons/John Clingan to define a specific goal for Technical Jakarta EE/MicroProfile alignment forum and plan (e.g. Core Profile, Config) - John has called a meeting for this time next week (August 10).
 - Update from last week’s meeting
- Will Lyons to prepare a specific proposal for a meeting of all Working Group members in September.

Jakarta EE 10

- Plan reviews
 - <https://github.com/jakartaee/specifications/labels/plan%20review>
 - Had reached out to component spec teams whether a release review date of Oct 15 would be achievable.
- Jakarta EE Core Profile Creation and Plan review
 - <https://github.com/jakartaee/specifications/pull/349>
 - This (and relationship to Platform release) was a significant topic of review at Platform team and will continue to be.
- As of August 31:
 - Release plan for Full Platform and Web Profile has been balloted and approved. Core Profile has also been balloted and approved.
 - Red Hat will drive the EE 10 release (Scott is designated release lead)
 - We are targeting Q1 CY2022 GA (per the release plan), which will require that all individual component specifications be released by Q4 CY2021.

Jakarta EE Presence in Asia

- See the [short report](#) we discussed on the Steering Committee call on June 8.
- A/I: Committee members were requested to propose someone from their organizations, or from external organizations, who can help organize Jakarta EE activities and:
 - Speaks Chinese and English
 - Is local to the China timezone
- A/I: It was agreed we should hold a meeting with Chinese members to hear directly from them what would be most helpful to them in promoting Jakarta EE in China. Such a meeting would need to be moderated by someone who is bilingual.
 - No member has identified such a contact
- Will to follow up with Tanja on this after Labour Day

Acquire New Working Group Members

- A Q2 objective is to "Identify ways to find potential new members".
- Paul reviewed a short [presentation](#) on June 22
- Kevin expressed interest in seeing pipelines.
- Questions were raised about whether we could do more for JUGs and cloud providers.
- A/I: Will volunteered to draft specific suggestions for group review
 - Will will do so for the next meeting.