Meeting Minutes of Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting on September 4
Attendees:

Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura, Mike Denicola
IBM: Dan Bandera
Oracle: Will Lyons
Payara: Steve Millidge
Red Hat: Mark Little
Tomitribe: Richard Monson-Hafael
Martijn Verburg
Ivar Grimstad: not present

Eclipse: Mike Milinkovich

Review of Minutes from Prior Meeting

August 21 meeting minutes were approved. Will add Richard and Mike D to the attendee list.

Minutes of August 28 meeting have been distributed and will be reviewed next meeting.
Budget Update

1) Per the minutes of the Budget meeting August 22, next steps on the budget are as follows:
a)   Update from IBM and Red Hat to obtain the requested funding commitments.

IBM stated in the August 28 Steering Committee meeting it believes it will be able to support $300K/year for 3 years depending on the language, particularly the contingency on enabling evolution of the javax namespace discussed on August 22.

September 4 update from Red Hat: Mark Little expects to send email with an update this week, or by the next Steering Committee meeting at the latest.

b) Assuming funding commitments are obtained, we would draft, review and vote on a Steering Committee resolution with the required funding levels.
c) The Eclipse Foundation would draft a participation agreement based on the agreed funding levels, with the contingency statement referenced above.

Paul White updated the group on the appropriate procedures for doing this.   He has drafted a set of resolutions for review next week sent in email today. These cover:
- Fees for strategic members
- Fees for enterprise and solution members

The above include the agreed contingency on evolution of the javax namespace. Please review and comment prior to next week's meeting.

A budget resolution would come next, following the resolutions above.

The Steering Committee approved publication of above to the Jakarta EE Working Group contingent on no objections by a SC member by 1PM EDT Sept 6.

2) In the August 28 Steering Committee meeting, Tomitribe and the Eclipse Foundation agreed to work offline the specific case of Apache TomEE, ability to use the Jakarta EE brand and membership fees.

David Blevins has provided details of the case in question in email to the Steering Committee. The Eclipse Foundation has follow up questions. Mike Milinkovich will reply to David's email.

Updates on Oracle contributions

The following contributions/submissions were made to Eclipse in the past week:
• JAF
• JavaMail
• gmbal (GlassFish MBean Annotation Library)
• GlassFish Corba (on 8/23)

The following submissions were pushed to Eclipse repositories in the past week:
• Fighterfish
• HK2

The GlassFIsh project was submitted for review this week.

Oracle has obtained internal approval to submit the TCK sources (correction following the meeting - the Oracle Jakarta EE team has been told this will be approved internally).

Mike Milinkovich noted that the Eclipse Foundation has signed the TCK License Agreement and is expecting Oracle's signature shortly.

Oracle continues to work on GlassFish contribution and contributions to be made under EDL licensing terms.

Discuss Email re: Building Momentum for Jakarta EE discussed in the last Steering Committee meeting (email content in italics)
We propose the following to build momentum for Jakarta EE, and would like to discuss these topics in the next Steering Committee meeting below.

1. Release Eclipse GlassFish and certify it as Java EE 8 compatible by Oracle CodeOne / EclipseCon Europe.

This effort will provide an implementation of Java EE and Jakarta EE that the Jakarta EE community can evolve. Oracle has invested a substantial amount of effort in this, and continues to do so, in order to achieve a shared goal we have discussed and agreed to as a group. This is an important milestone and Oracle remains committed to deliver it. However, contributions to this effort from other Working Group members would accelerate delivery, improve community collaboration, and facilitate transfer of technology ownership.

Each of the EE4J projects have project leads identified. Each of the EE4J projects needs to be released and a task in the project's issue tracker has been opened to track this activity. For example, see: https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/servlet-api/issues/195

We would welcome project leads, or other committers, to take the initiative to:
•   Review the release documents and prepare to release these projects, or recruit and encourage other community members to do so, and..
•   Update the appropriate Jira issues reflecting your plans
•   Let Ed and Dmitry know if you will take on responsibility for releasing the project in question

There has been some response on this recently and we'd like to continue the momentum. Dmitry has created a Google spreadsheet for tracking progress: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1e8inaprMOjnq04hU2o76egHhC8AF3-vNvqjRq6GR0eM/edit#gid=0

Dmitry noted to the PMC he has seen no progress in this area.

At the last PMC meeting it was agreed that the project lead for the project would identify and populate the "responsible person" field.

This person would be expected to update the GitHub task regarding creating a CI/CD pipeline and releasing the project.

It was requested that we host a webinar to walk through an example of how this can be done. Dmitry will explore doing this and will get back to us on this topic. Look for an email scheduling this week (for delivery at a future time).

Dmitry created links to two how-to wiki pages related to this topic in each GitHub task:

The Spec Committee will address the decision on Maven groupId to be used for all specifications to be published by Jakarta EE.

2. Create a roadmap for definition of a specification process by the end of the year

One requirement for completing definition of a spec process is execution of legal agreements between Oracle and the Eclipse Foundation.   With support of our executive management, we are requesting acceleration of this process.   We are asking our Legal team to set a target for delivery of a draft Trademark License Agreement. We will also request that once a draft is available that our counsels meet face to face regularly to resolve issues with agreements more quickly.

However, most of the spec process can be defined independently of the above agreements. Bill Shannon will be sending a separate document detailing work items that we should address now, independent of the legal agreements. Ideally we define public milestones some of which are achievable by Code One / EclipseCon Europe.   Please look for a note from Bill.

Four meetings of the Spec Committee have been scheduled over the next couple of weeks with this goal in mind.

3. Announce commitment to Working Group funding

Assuming we collectively commit to a funding model, we should communicate this externally. We expect to make progress on this topic in the next Steering Committee meeting.

This topic is tied to the Budget Discussion above.

4. Demonstrate successful execution of the contributed TCKs

Java EE 8 certification of Eclipse GlassFish will be based on existing Oracle TCK binaries.

We have stated that a next step following Java EE 8 certification of Eclipse GlassFish would be Jakarta EE 8 certification of Eclipse GlassFish.   This step depends on definition of a Jakarta EE 8 specification (discussed in #2 above), and successful execution of the contributed TCKs, which we intend to become the Jakarta EE 8 TCKs, on Eclipse GlassFish.

We would like affirmation from this group that Jakarta EE 8 certification of Eclipse GlassFish, including demonstration of successful execution of the contributed TCKs, remains a shared goal.   Oracle will drive this overall effort, but requests that project leads, with contribution from other Working Group members and other community members, take ownership for driving successful execution of the contributed TCKs in their area.

This remains a shared goal of this group.

5. Define distributed ownership of Jakarta EE technology areas and directions

Oracle regards ownership of technology areas as a shared responsibility going forward, not as an Oracle driven activity as in Java EE.   We would like to drive a process where we move from the Oracle-driven project leadership model that we have today to a model where project leadership is more distributed across the Working Group and the community, and where project leads define directions for individual projects.

We propose scheduling a meeting in September to review the project list and more clearly demonstrate distributed project ownership and project direction, with the intent to publish for the community by Code One. As part of this effort recommend identifying those technologies that we expect to invest in and evolve, and those we do not plan to invest in.

This is related to item #1.

6. Commit to Code One/ECE messaging

Oracle proposed the following Code One messaging.   We believe that the above can be used to augment the messaging below.   We request your support to these messages or some other set of messages.

Announcing Eclipse GlassFish.

GlassFish contributions to Jakarta EE are complete and Eclipse GlassFish is certified as Java EE 8 compatible [adjust statement based on actual level of completion]. We expect Eclipse GlassFish sources will become the basis for implementations of Jakarta EE specifications. [Feedback on the preceding paragraph was received prior to the meeting from Richard Monson-Hafael and endorsed by Martijn Verburg and Mark Little.]   "The last sentence troubles me because, in my mind, it implies that GlassFish has some special official status compared to other implementations.   I would change the sentence "We expect Eclipse GlassFish sources will become the basis for implementations of Jakarta EE specifications." to read "We expect Eclipse GlassFish sources will become the basis for an implementation of Jakarta EE specifications." Notice that I added "an" and removed the plural from implementation."

Java EE TCKs are open sourced.

The Java EE 8 Technology Compatibility Kits have been contributed and are available in Open Source.   We expect these to be the basis for Jakarta EE 8 compatibility tests for branding of multiple independent implementations of Jakarta EE specifications.

The statement above should include "...and hosted at the Eclipse Foundation".

We [Oracle and other WG members] are committed to Jakarta EE.

We [Oracle and other WG members] remain committed to enabling evolution of the Java EE 8 technologies, including evolution of the javax namespace, in Jakarta EE specifications for cloud native Java. [Hope to identify specific milestone]. We [Oracle and other WG members] have committed to funding this effort at the Eclipse foundation.

<u>We [Oracle and other WG members] will leverage Jakarta EE.</u>

We [Oracle and other WG members] intend to leverage Jakarta EE technologies and cloud native Java in its product and service offerings. [Each WG member may have its own announcement that will...] leverage Jakarta EE and/or Eclipse GlassFish technology, and/or will support Java EE 8, Jakarta EE 8 and evolution of Jakarta EE.

I will send an email with a point to a Google doc with existing edits to these messages.

Steering Committee members should review these messages, comment on them, and be prepared to discuss at SC next week.

Need an answer to a FAQ: "Will GF be certified on JDK 11?" The proposed response is that "GF and Java EE 8 depend on Java SE 8 as the minimum JDK version". (I will begin a FAQ in the messaging document).

We will also need to discuss press release vs. blog, etc.

Legal Documents

We expect the TCK License Agreement will be signed today. Contribution of TCK sources is approved. (Correction following the meeting - the Oracle Jakarta EE team has been told this will be approved internally).

Oracle Legal is picking up the TM license agreement. We are requesting a date for a draft.

Eclipse Foundation would like to discuss JakartaOne at next meeting. Target May/June 2019 timeframe.

Marketing Committee Update (not discussed)

PMC Update (See discussion above regarding project releases)

Recruitment of new members; Elections (no time for discussion during the meeting)
Open issue - will there be an additional PMC representative on the Steering Committee.

Planned Jakarta EE certifications (no time for discussion during the meeting)

What other app servers, besides GlassFish can we expect on Jakarta EE 8 - get input from Steering Committee.

- Wildfly - name clarification needed from RedHat ?
- IBM Liberty
- Fujitsu
- Payara - ?
- Weblogic - ?
- TomiTribe - ?