

Minutes of the January 11, 2021 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

Please refer to your meeting invitation for the zoom password.

Attendees:

Fujitsu: not present

IBM: Ian Robinson, Alasdair Nottingham, Neil Patterson, Emily Jiang

Oracle: Will Lyons, Ed Bratt, Dmitry Kornilov

Payara: not present

Tomitribe: Cesar Hernandez

Enterprise Member representative (Primeton): Jun Qiu

Enterprise Member representative (Shangdong CVICSE): not present

Participant member representative (LJC): Martijn Verburg

Committee member representative: Arjan Tijms

We achieved quorum after the meeting began.

Eclipse: Tanja Obradovic, Shabnam Mayel, Ivar Grimstad, Paul Buck

Review of Minutes from Prior Meetings

Review [Draft Minutes of the November 30](#) meeting.

Review [Draft Minutes of the December 14](#) meeting.

The draft minutes of the above meetings were approved.

Steering Committee Meeting Schedule

The Steering Committee meeting schedule is:

- January 18th - Jakarta EE WG meeting
- Feb 1st and every two weeks after that.

See the following link for the Steering Committee calendar:

https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=eclipse-foundation.org_3ltnm4gd4av9429560rnth9b6g%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FToronto

Agenda for Working Group Meeting

- The following was sent out to the Working Group:

- Welcome
 - Q4 CY2021 highlights
 - Q4 CY2021 Jakarta EE Program Progress Update
 - JakartaOne Livestream and Evangelist highlights
 - Jakarta EE promotion: members help needed
 - CY2022 Program Plan that we have put in place for the coming year
 - Open forum
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- The agenda is given below - A list of speakers is provided below. I will follow up
 - Welcome (Will - 5 mins)
 - Pointer to last meeting minutes and follow-up
 - Highlight new members of the WG since last meeting
 - Report from EF Jakarta EE team (Tanja, Ivar, Shabnam - 10 minutes)
 - Q4 CY2021 report highlights - Tanja
 - JakartaOne Livestream and Evangelist highlights - Ivar
 - Jakarta EE promotion: members help needed - Shabnam
 - CY2022 Program Plan (Intro – Will 5 mins)
 - Jakarta EE 10 (Scott? Or Arjan – 5 mins)
 - Drive Jakarta EE Brand, Awareness and Adoption (Neil – 5 mins)
 - Jakarta EE and MicroProfile (Ian – 5 mins)
 - Enable ecosystem transition to Jakarta namespace (Martijn – 5 mins)
 - Grow/reward contributors and acquire new members (Request volunteer – 5 mins) (Steve?)
 - Open forum (15 mins)

JakartaOne Livestream - Dec 7

- A Livestream report is provided below provided here (same link as provided on December 14): [Report on JakartaOne Livestream 2021 event](#)
- Recordings available in YouTube (Last update December 20):
 - <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLutlXcN4EAWCxiFhy8X7vi4gxqVUNbqkl>

Jakarta EE 10 status

- [Jakarta EE Spec Mentor Assignments & Ballot Progress](#)
 - Jakarta Activation is in ballot
- Update from last time:
 - Scott will send a note to spec leads/platform list with a drop dead date for component specs to deliver a specification committee PR by Feb 28 or miss the EE10 release. Platform and profiles will be delivered in Q2. As always the bottleneck is TCKs and compatible implementations.

- Do the Spec Committee and Platform Team have what they need from the Steering Committee at this time to move the project forward?
 - The general requirement is for resources to move the project forward
 - Please highlight specific resource requirements to this group if that will be helpful
 - Arjan identified a need for assistance with the Jakarta Faces TCK (Will will investigate)

Jakarta EE 10 messaging document

- The Steering Committee will provide the Jakarta EE 10 messaging document to the Marketing Committee
- See the [Jakarta 9/9.1 messaging](#) document
- Arjan volunteered to draft this. We will look for an update Feb 1.

Electronic Voting Mechanism Process - Follow-up from last time

- See [Draft Minutes of the December 14](#) for detailed discussion from last time.
- Scott agreed to amend his proposed resolution to reflect the discussion, and to request the Eclipse Foundation comment on the revised resolution before bringing it to the Committee. I have reached out to Scott asking how he would like to resolve. If necessary I will bring the proposal forward myself.

Jakarta EE Q4 Progress Update

- Tanja is working on the Q4 progress report and will share by end of the week - it will be available NLT than the Jan 18 Working Group meeting.

Splitting implementation and Specification Projects

- Not covered in our last meeting but has been discussed on the Steering Committee alias (see email from Ed Bratt and subsequent replies).
- This action item is currently tabled as a lower priority for the Spec Committee than EE 10, and there is agreement on that but there is an organic movement in process.
- Ed and Arjan were concerned with the current approach. The conclusion of the discussion was that:
 - Steering Committee representatives should review the current (organic) direction and determine if this direction meets committee expectations.
 - Paul also suggested that Ed forward this to the Spec Committee alias.

Jakarta EE Developer Survey

Shanbnam has sent email with a survey timeline and draft questions and is requesting feedback by January 27 (see email):

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/10regclXhVAOzmW3QQo3g7-D0kF-ltO9tNMru80eykU/edit#gid=599163621>

Neil noted that last time there were after the fact questions raised about the survey questions, and we'd like that input up-front this time.

Election Process (Will will contact David and structure this item for committee discussion)

- Original note from Zahra

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?