Sparkplug Steering Committee Minutes
August 27, 2020

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Attendees
Jackie Eldridge (Inductive Automation)
Kristine Zukose (Inductive Automation)
Frederic Desbiens (Eclipse Foundation)
Don Pearson (Inductive Automation)
Arlen Nipper (Cirrus Link Solutions, Chair)
Sharon Corbett (Eclipse Foundation)
Jeff Knepper (Canary Labs)
Ian Skerrett (HiveMQ)
Ioana Maftei (Eclipse Foundation)
Nathan Davenport (Cirrus Link)
Todd Anslinger (Chevron)

Absent:
David Grussenmeyer (Inductive Automation)
Mao Huang (ORing Industrial)
Minutes:
Objection to approving the last meeting minutes: None
Resolved, the Minutes of the August 14, 2020 Steering Committee Minutes were unanimously approved.

Topics:

Spec Project and TCK; status update
Nathan Davenport presented an update on the development of the Sparkplug specification, its related TCK and the Tahu project. Wes Johnson wishes to organize monthly meetings for both the Sparkplug Spec teams and Tahu teams. Wes and Nathan could still use more Tahu committers, and they are thinking maybe they can move some from Sparkplug for those that want to be a part of both. Frederic says technically that could work but they will still have to follow the Eclipse process of becoming a committer, which involves building a history of contributions through pull requests and, at some point, organizing a committer election.

Sparkplug Website
Frederic made most of the changes to the text of the website. He is waiting for the final prospectus to add to the website but is hoping it will all be done within the next 2 weeks.

Membership pipeline
Members discussed active leads and where they stand. While discussing an academic institution, Arlen commented that it could be a good idea to leverage students to help with the Spec and TCK projects. Frederic says that would be up to the project team but definitely thinks if they are willing to work with students, then it could be an option. The process to become a committer would still be the same. Kristine should meet with Dave Grussenmeyer on the Inductive Automation team to see if he has anything to add for possible committers from the universities he is currently working with.

September 23rd Event
Jeff Knepper gave a quick run through of the wireframe he has now for this presentation. Members agreed on a name for the event which will be MQTT Sparkplug Webinar. Inductive
Automation will be helping market/promote this and Jeff suggested reaching out to our integrator partners and asking them to help promote this as well. Members agreed this is a good idea.

Frederic asked a few questions to confirm the details of the event. He used the committee’s answers to complete the document template used to request an event website from the webmaster team. He will submit a GitHub issue to start the provisioning process.

Next steps:
- A planning meeting with Members that are participating to work through the wireframe of the webinar is scheduled for next week.
- Jeff Knepper to reach out to Don and his team to distribute some action items and get information needed for the webinar.

Meeting Adjourned!