Sparkplug Steering Committee Call
July 28, 2022

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Attendees:
Frederic Desbiens (Eclipse Foundation)
Benson Houghland (Opto22)
Arlen Nipper (Cirrus Link)
Ian Skerrett (HiveMQ)
Hassan Jaber (Eclipse Foundation)
Jackie Eldridge (Inductive Automation)
Kristine Zukose (Inductive Automation)
David Grussenmeyer (Inductive Automation)
Justin Brzozoski
Todd Anslinger (Chevron)
Bryce Nakatani (Opto22)
Paul Buck (Eclipse Foundation)

Absent:
Don Pearson (Inductive Automation)
Jeff Knepper (Canary Labs)
Minutes:
Objection to approving the last meeting minutes: None
Resolved, the Minutes of the July 14th, 2022 Steering Committee Minutes were unanimously approved.

Update on the Spec & TCK
Frederic updated the group on the spec and tck. Last meeting Wes mentioned that the end of August would be a realistic time for the TCK to be completed. One big milestone that has been completed is that HiveMQ made open source their HiveMQ community edition extension for spark plug awareness in their MQTT broker, so that fulfills part of the requirement Open Source implementation needs to implement everything. That's in the spec, so we are covered with the existence of that open source plugin and that's a great contribution!

As for the spec document, there are a few open issues that are mostly items that need to be cleaned up in the document.

Virtual event with IIoT world
Frederic needs to follow up with Lucien on the framework proposal he was going to put together. Benson mentioned that maybe the group should come up with a budget to propose to help Lucien along. The members quickly brainstormed some ideas for sessions they would want to be a part of the event. Frederic will go back to Lucien with the following session ideas; unified namespace, sparkplug deep dive, implementers user session, and security session.

ISO/IEC IPR Policies — Way forward — Update
Frederic will be checking back in with Mike to ask for a timeline on when we can expect the actual statement. Frederic is hopeful that we would be able to get it back in time for the last meeting in August.

PROPOSAL: Sparkplug business benefits document
Ian spoke with Jay Nichols who is a great writer, and would like to propose that Jay interviews some of the members of the working group to go over some tangible numbers they’ve seen and come up with some sort of metrics that can be published. Ian is willing to pay Jay to do this if the members are willing to speak and be interviewed by him. Hassan is willing to lead the coordination with Jay and the members if needed. There was interest from the members on the call and they are willing to meet with Jay.

EclipseCon 2022 — Sparkplug plugfest
Frederic asked for the members to think of who would be able to reach out to ask if they could/would like to participate at EclipseCon 2022. He sent a spreadsheet he started out to the members so they can share names and contact information to move forward.