Sparkplug Steering Committee Call
February 23, 2023

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Attendees:

Frédéric Desbiens
Hassan Jaber (Last Day with Eclipse Foundation next week) - Clark Roundy
(clark.roundy@eclipse-foundation.org)
Harry Forbes
Arlen Nipper
Benson Houghland
Ravi Subramanyan
Todd Anslinger
Kent Wyant
Don Pearson
Lindsey Aparicio

1. Approve Minutes of the January 26, 2023, call
   a. Minutes approved unanimously, no additional points to be added

2. Conversation about ARC Forum 2024 w/ Harry Forbes
   a. Brainstorming: lining up end users
b. Post Mortem from Harry: saw an increase in awareness from folks in the industrial space of the open source movement model. Does not have a feel for the types of end users needed. If there was a point he would want to make: the point of governance, much like the Eclipse and similar organizations. Protection of IP being a topic - non-competitive area vs competitive. Consider someone trying to compete with another business.
   i. Maybe not an end user perspective needed, possibly a vendor presentation?

c. How to proceed: ideally need two speakers lined up by fall of the 4th quarter. Mike Millencovich as one speaker listed. Harry to be added to Slack channel or private DM to continue conversation.

d. Including Craig Resnick in future conversation

e. Collect user stories about how Sparkplug helped users, throw into a presentation with customers chiming in - could be white papers

3. Sparkplug specification project update
   a. Scope for the next release is being discussed, Wes to be here at the next meeting (everything should be available via Github and/or website)
   b. Public communication campaign to solicit feedback once scope is released - with meeting including committee first to be scheduled towards the end of March

4. Post mortem: ARC Forum 2023
   a. General assessment: went well, looking forward to the next forum

5. **IoT and Edge domain restructuring**
   a. Last conversation: would like to stay as an independent working group
      i. This is fine, but we need to commit to a growth target and to execute it within a two year time frame
         1. If we keep the fees as they are now, the target will be harder to reach (current budget $45k)