August 2006

August Reports (see Reporting Schedule)

Abdera

Work continues on the 0.1.0 release, with luck it should be released soon.

Stephen Duncan is still working with his employer about getting a CLA signed.

Work on an Atom Publishing Protocol client implementation has begun.

There are no current issues that require the board's attention.

Heraldry

- Mailing lists up
- Started getting CLAs from various people
- SVN Space Created
- Some people met up at OSCON

Lokahi

Lokahi is quietly chugging along towards a 0.1 milestone release: the vote is currently under way.

We believe there are no issues requiring the attention of the Board.

OpenEJB

OpenEJB discussion is happening on the Incubator mailing list, but the resources from codehaus have not yet been moved over, as they wait for some committers to still file CLAs. The latest ETA was to move everything over this week.

ServiceMix

ServiceMix has released its second milestone at the end of June. Another release is planned for end of August / beginning September. The main plan for the coming months is to release a 3.0 final, by improving test/samples/documentation.

The TCK for JBI has been given to committers that have asked for it and have signed the NDA. While we are waiting for a specific mailing list / svn tree to put TCK specific resources, some work has been started.

Lots of people seem interesting in contributing to ServiceMix and/or becoming committers, so there is a good chance that the developer community will grow in the following months. We are in the process of accepting several code contributions: an Eclipse plugin for ServiceMix which would complete the tooling based on Maven 2, and some new JBI components.

stdcxx

Stdcxx status report for the calendar quarter ending in 8/2006:

This is the fourth quarterly report for stdcxx.

The stdcxx community is currently in the process of voting in a new committer, Farid Zaripov. Farid has contributed several important pieces of the test driver and recently has has been enhancing the test suite in the area of containers with focus on exception safety. In addition we are hoping to put Farid's extensive Windows experience to good use when enhancing our Windows build infrastructure.

The team continues to make progress migrating the Rogue Wave C++ Standard Library test harness and test suite to the Apache stdcxx test driver: a total of 117 of the 329 tests have been migrated so far.

The plan for the next three months is to continue migrating the test suite, extend our support to include additional platforms such as IBM z/OS, Cray UNICOS, and others, and to enhance our implementation with the C++ Standard Library extensions described in the Technical Report on C++ Library Extensions. Recently we have also been in discussions with Tuscany developers about their adoption of stdcxx. We look forward to working with the team to make this as smooth as possible.

Finally, we plan to continue increase the visibility of the project and attract more developers to the project and to further increase the diversity of the community.

Martin Sebor
**Solr**

The Incubation STATUS file is up-to-date, with all items in the project setup category long since completed.

**Technical:** Solr is both maturing and gaining new capabilities, such as highlighted context snippets, and JSON output support. See CHANGES.

**Community:** Solr is seeing good growth in the number of users and contributors, and we have recently voted in Mike Klaas as a committer. Other community building efforts include Yonik Seeley’s talk at ApacheCon EU, Chris Hostetter’s scheduled talk at ApacheCon US, and articles written by other Solr contributors such as this one on XML.com

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**Synapse**

Synapse development continues apace, and we proposed graduation, but based on concerns about the amount of discussion on mailing lists, decided to hold off from graduation. Much of discussion was happening in weekly IRC chats, and there was very little collateral discussion from the IRC participants, and certainly not from non-participants. We agreed to cancel the weekly IRCs and emphasize the use of e-mail, except in specific circumstances where IRC chats are felt to be useful.

As regards development, we continue to move towards our agreed upon 1.0 feature set. Since the last report we have gained another active participant and we continue to improve the codebase. We plan to do another release over the next month.

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**TSIK**

TSIK has had no message traffic since May, and appears to be dormant.

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**Tuscany**

Tuscany is focusing on community building. In the last quarter we have released, with the Incubator PMC’s permission, milestone versions of both the Java and C++ runtimes and have used those to attract developers to the community. Since the last report we have voted in five new committers, Raymond Feng, Brent Daniel, Kelvin Goodson, Meeraj Kunnumpurath and Andrew Borley and have other people actively contributing. However, the majority of committers are still employed by one company and additional effort is being made to attract independent developers.

There has been a significant change in the OSOA specification effort with the availability of a public website intended to provide additional transparency. We have confirmation that specification work is done under an agreement that explicitly states that such work is not confidential.

Plan for the next quarter is to diversify the community. We do not believe there are any issues that require the attention of the board.

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**Woden**

The Woden community appears to be small, but active. Discussion appears to be happening on the list, although they are also holding teleconferences (with summaries posted to the mailing list). They are planning milestone for sometime in the next two months.

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**WSRP4J**

WSRP4J was transferred from WS to Portals — why the lists aren't under the Incubator is a good question. The project currently appears to be languishing, if not outright neglected. Almost none of the listed committers (http://incubator.apache.org/projects/wsrp4j.html) appear to be maintaining any presence. I don’t know what, if any, work is being done on WSRP 2.0, and if that is being done elsewhere in vendor space, rather than on WSRP4J in the open.

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**Yoko**

This is the first quarterly report of Yoko. Our goal for this project was to provide a light weight ORB implementation, an RMI implementation & also web services capabilities for the CORBA clients & servers.

We have completed most of the work for having a fully functional ORB & there have been interest among other projects to use Yoko in their projects. We are planning to start a vote for our first milestone release shortly.

Our objective for the next quarter is to work on further increasing the visibility of the project, attracting additional contributors, and growing the active community of developers around it.