2022-Jan-04 ZAC Notes

As usual, if I’ve omitted anything you feel was important to record, please update these notes!

## Administrative

* Today’s attendees: Mike D, Bruce, Rose, Mike B, Sean, Boris, Peter
* Mike D is now officially the ZAC “chair of the quarter”.

## Chat Ops Incubator Proposal

* TSC has voted to move forward with ChatOps as a new incubator squad
* Next steps – identify the staff and leader for the squad and onboard the code
* Bruce and Mike D own staffing from IBM and Broadcom, respectively, but would love to include staff from other companies as well.
* Initial thoughts are to pull some capacity from existing Zowe squads but also to add some new.
* The proposal deck needs to be tweaked so it can be used to generate interest from others. Bruce and Mike will meet to discuss ideas.

## Zowe V2 Prep

* There is still no posted V2 install that can be used by extenders to validate extensions
* Sean reports that just about every server side component is broken in the V2 tech preview.
* Install is also very different so a learning curve is introduced.
* CLI is in much better state than the server side and is being featured in this week’s office hours.
* Still need a consistent way to track all of the remaining problems to be resolved.
* Mike B recommends that we keep the process for opening issues as consistent as possible so that people will open the issues properly, and to tag V2-specific issues and move them to the appropriate backlog. This is what the CLI team is doing today.
* Sean suggests using Slack to communicate to help get all V2 feedback into one place.
* Should be able to publish a preview build as soon as it’s usable, even if some of the features are broken (e.g. keyrings not handled by config yet) – but it’s not ready for posting yet.
* Office hours for January 5 is ready to go. Rose will send a reminder today using John Mertic’s distribution list for extenders.
* Nick reminds us that we should prepare a press release for V2 – Mike B posted a link to what was done for V1 [here](https://www.openmainframeproject.org/press/2020/06/24/open-mainframe-project-announces-major-technical-milestone-with-zowes-long-term-support-release).

## Intro to Zowe V2 Video Series

* This is still targeted for March, none of the V2 hurdles discussed today should prevent that.
* Should definitely try to reuse the content from the office hours videos.
* Mike B suggests that our office hours series is very focus on extenders but not end users, so he recommends using some of the office hours time slots (towards the end of the series) to help educate and prepare Zowe end users. Great idea, need to select dates and communicate.

## Node js

* Bruce has been speaking with the hiring manager (Roland Koo) for the PM position for node.js and considering some ideas for making node.js more accessible.
* Rewrite the blog that describes how to acquire node.js
* Alter verbiage about the node.js pax file being “not production-ready”
* Make the SMP/E version more easily available without a support license.
* Revisit getting the node.js community to host the Z pax file or eventually the SMP/E version

## Survey

* [Survey results](https://broadcom.ent.box.com/file/893185302037?s=79mph5w28mijmzu3bl9r1fqobc9jvnkd) are posted in the survey folder on the box drive, and Rose will move them over to GitHub this week.
* Need to do analysis of the survey responses, present the results and decide on action items to address the most critical feedback. Typically onboarding squad activities.
* Results can be presented on a future ZAC call (TSC is also a possibility)

## Next Quarterly Update

* Schedule says January, but plates are all full with V2 and most of us are also still catching up from the holidays. Some proposals are on the table:
  + Push back the January quarterly update to a later month, Rose suggested March
  + Push back only a few weeks until the end of January and feature ChatOps
  + Skip this quarter completely, maintain the regular cadence and resume in April

## Incubators

* Mike D suggested the need to assess the state of current incubators like Zowe Mobile and the Workflow Wizard.
* Jakub pointed out that Zebra is moving forwards as a separate Zowe squad
* Bruce added that one ISV in a space related to Zebra has expressed interest in Zebra