Eclipse Foundation
Bylaws 2011
History and Motivation

• The Eclipse Foundation has been in existence for seven years.
• Most of the ideas that went into the original Bylaws have worked well and have stood the test of time. A few have not.
• Let’s tidy up the Bylaws to ensure that they reflect current practices.
Timeline

• March
  – Present to Board and to Membership-at-Large
  – Provide access to proposed revisions to allow for Members to do legal review

• June
  – Vote of the Board

• July
  – Vote of the Membership-at-Large
Highlights

• Replace the annual Roadmap with an annual community report
• Eliminate the Membership Committee. Make the IP Advisory Committee a Standing Committee
• Delete the Requirements Council
• Put the Architecture Council in charge of future revisions of the Eclipse Development Process
• Delete the requirement for there to be a ratio of Strategic Consumers to Strategic Developers
• Remove the requirement that the AGM be in Q1
• Allow for flexibility in covering expenses
• Sustaining Member board reps need to be a Sustaining Member
One Last Change

• Committer reps asked us to revisit the issue of committer votes from the same member company collapsing to a single vote.

• Proposed solution (Section 3.3(d))
  – One committer, one vote
  – Total number of candidates from the same organization may not exceed one-half (1/2) of the total number of seats available for that year’s annual at-large election
One Last Change (cont’d)

• The collapsing of committer votes will still occur for any votes of the membership-at-large
  – Otherwise the committer vote would overwhelm the other classes of Members.