

*(doc to move to nodejs/ctc repository after meeting)*

# # Node Foundation CTC Meeting

2017-03-29

## ## Links

- \* **Audio recording**: <>
- \* **GitHub Issue**: [CTC#85] (<https://github.com/nodejs/CTC/issues/85>)
- \* **Minutes Google Doc**:  
<<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1nIXl2UMQs1n-yPencn53MYlfu3RnUltX3MfuaStPzx8>>
- \* **Previous Minutes Google Doc**:  
<[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZbzN6qO9AqmGjOMR-wfWTmdeE\\_69rr1hcfhk2oTUGpA](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZbzN6qO9AqmGjOMR-wfWTmdeE_69rr1hcfhk2oTUGpA)>\_

## ## Present

- \* Anna Henningsen @addaleax (CTC)
- \* Bradley Meck @bmeck (observer/GoDaddy/TC39)
- \* Сковорода Никита Андреевич @ChALkeR (CTC)
- \* Colin Ihrig @cjihrig (CTC)
- \* Evan Lucas @evanlucas (CTC)
- \* Franziska Hinkelmann @fhinkel (CTC)
- \* Jeremiah Senkpiel @Fishrock123 (CTC)
- \* James M Snell @jasnell (CTC)
- \* Michael Dawson @mhdawson (CTC)
- \* Brian White @mscdex (CTC)
- \* Ali Ijaz Sheikh @ofrobots (CTC)
- \* Seth Thompson @s3ththompson (observer/Google)
- \* Michaël Zasso @targos (CTC)
- \* Trevor Norris @trevnnorris (CTC)
- \* Rich Trott @Trott (CTC)

## ## Standup

- \* Anna Henningsen @addaleax (CTC)

- \* Issues & PR review
- \* ABI-stable native module API review in particular
- \* Bradley Meck @bmeck (observer/GoDaddy/TC39)
  - \* CC port for ESM underway
  - \* onboarded Guy Bedford from SystemJS to help
- \* Сковорода Никита Андреевич @ChALkeR (CTC)
  - \* Nothing worth mentioning.
- \* Colin Ihrig @cjihrig (CTC)
  - \* Issues and PRs.
- \* Evan Lucas @evanlucas (CTC)
  - \* nothing of note
- \* Franziska Hinkelmann @fhinkel (CTC)
  - \* PR backlog
- \* Jeremiah Senkpiel @Fishrock123 (CTC)
  - \* Promise Unhandled rejection GC new pr thing
- <https://github.com/nodejs/node/pull/12010>
- \* James M Snell @jasnell (CTC)
  - \* landing PRs getting ready for 8.0.0
- \* Michael Dawson @mhdawson (CTC)
  - \* Away last week at Devovx conference
  - \* Build WG meeting
  - \* AIX/disk speed discussions
  - \* N-API review/work
  - \* foundation npm user
  - \* misc review/comment/land
- \* Brian White @mscdex (CTC)
  - \* Finally finished next set of `fs` optimizations
  - \* Updated/Rebased own open PRs
  - \* Commented on issues, reviewed PRs
- \* Ali Ijaz Sheikh @ofrobots (CTC)
  - \* not too much of note
- \* Seth Thompson @s3ththompson (observer/Google)
  - \* v8 team working on landing TurboFan + Ignition in V8 5.9
- \* Michaël Zasso @targos (CTC)
  - \* Nothing of note
- \* Trevor Norris @trevnnorris (CTC)
  - \* asynchooks PR
- \* Rich Trott @Trott (CTC)
  - \* lots of little things, but let's talk about Buffer right now...

## **## Agenda**

### nodejs/node

- \* buffer: auto random fill Buffer(num) and new Buffer(num)  
[#11808] (<https://github.com/nodejs/node/pull/11808>)
- \* buffer: discuss future direction of Buffer constructor API  
[#9531] (<https://github.com/nodejs/node/issues/9531>)

## ## Previous Meeting Review

- \* buffer: discuss future direction of Buffer constructor API  
[node#9531] (<https://github.com/nodejs/node/issues/9531>)
- \* module: add support for abi stable module API  
[node#11975] (<https://github.com/nodejs/node/issues/11975>)

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## ## Minutes

### buffer: auto random fill Buffer(num) and new Buffer(num)  
[#11808] (<https://github.com/nodejs/node/pull/11808>) and buffer:  
discuss future direction of Buffer constructor API  
[#9531] (<https://github.com/nodejs/node/issues/9531>)

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- \* Rich started by framing the current state of the issue. Some consensus that we should do something. Had looked like option to do opt-in deprecate flag was non-controversial, but seems like there is some questioning/objections.
- \* We may need to start with if we are going to state that it will be deprecated at some point as that affects people's decisions on the other issues.
- \* James: we need 3 distinct votes
  - \* commit to runtime deprecation and timeframe
  - \* do we put in pending deprecation
  - \* do we random fill or zero fill by default, and do we backport
- \* Let's start with are we going to commit to deprecate or not
  - \* James, feedback from module developers, don't do it, zero fill by default instead, most people did not think it should be Backported.
  - \* Ali, spreadsheet before option of additional flag ? does this affect how people voted,
  - \* James, don't think we are going to reach natural consensus,

need vote. Seconded by Rich

\* Vote1: Should we now commit to deprecating Buffer() constructor at a specific point in the future or leave it as is. Specifically, deprecating all combinations of Buffer() constructor that are not specifically required by subclassing Uint8Array. Specific point might mean a specific version or when the ecosystem usage drops below threshold, or something else (a separate question). I.e. are we going to announce now that this is going to be runtime-deprecated at some future point, possibly without defining that future point now.

YES (\*\*Commit\*\* to deprecating): @chalker, @targos, @mscdex, @fhinkel

NO (Do not \*\*commit\*\* to deprecating): @evanlucas, @addaleax, @jasnell, @ofrobots, @Fishrock123, @mhdawson, @cjihrig

ABSTAIN: @trott, @trevnorris

Need to take back to github, to get additional CTC members to vote.

Vote2: Do we do a conditional pending deprecation warning. Normal deprecation warning which will only be seen if if they opt in with a flag.

YES: @chalker, @ofrobots, @targos, @trott, @addaleax, @mhdawson, @jasnell

NO: @cjihrig, @evanlucas, @mscdex, @fhinkel

ABSTAIN: @fishrock123, @trevnorris

Take back to github and get additional votes.

Vote3: Do we switch to automatically fill for 8.0 and higher  
a) Zero fill  
b) Random fill

Zero: @jasnell, @fishrock123, @ofrobots, @trevnorris, @mhdawson, @targos, @addaleax, @evanlucas, @cjihrig  
Random: @addaleax, @cjihrig, @targos, @fhinkel

Neither: @mscdex, @chalker  
Abstain:

Vote 4: If we chose to fill, do we backport (semver-minor)

ALL: @fishrock123, @trott, @jasnell

7:

6:

4:

NONE: @mscdex, @mhdawson, @evanlucas, @fhinkel

ABSTAIN: @targos, @cjhrrig, @addaleax, @ofrobots

ABSTAIN ONLY IF ALL: @chalker (NO for partial backport)

Take vote back to github to collect rest of votes

## ## Q&A, Other

- \* question about what kinds of questions are ok. General questions are ok, but those requesting help are best raised in the help repo.
- \* question about what would be the best database to use with node. Suggestion was to raise in the help repo

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## ## Upcoming Meetings

\* **Node.js Foundation Calendar**:

[https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=kap.co\\_i17i575te0aes6k\\_aanfjr2e4hs%40group.calendar.google.com](https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=kap.co_i17i575te0aes6k_aanfjr2e4hs%40group.calendar.google.com)

Click `+GoogleCalendar` at the bottom right to add to your own Google calendar.

\* **Collaborators Summit**: May 4-5,

[summit#39] (<https://github.com/nodejs/summit/issues/39>)

\* **TC39 Meetup**: May 22,

[CTC#67] (<https://github.com/nodejs/CTC/issues/67>)

\* **Call with V8 team**: March 30, 6 am CEST (in ~11 hours)

[CTC #76] (<https://github.com/nodejs/CTC/issues/76>)

\* \*\***CTC**\*\* : Apr 5, 2000 UTCe