



1 B. In addition to the provisions and requirements of Title 18  
2 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the certificate of incorporation and the  
3 bylaws of OAME must be certified by Oklahoma Futures and the  
4 certificate of incorporation shall:

5 1. Designate the name of the corporation as the Oklahoma  
6 Alliance for Manufacturing Excellence, Inc.;

7 2. Provide that the exclusive purposes of OAME are public  
8 purposes to assist small and medium-sized manufacturing firms, with  
9 a special emphasis on minority business enterprises, to gain the  
10 ability, through education, technology transfer, and otherwise, to  
11 compete successfully at progressively higher levels of value-added  
12 in the national and international economy;

13 3. Provide for the following three classes of membership in  
14 OAME which shall have representation on the Board of Directors of  
15 OAME:

16 a. one class composed of small and medium-sized  
17 manufacturing firms located in Oklahoma, and the  
18 certificate of incorporation shall provide for the  
19 qualifications for membership in such class,

20 b. one class composed of large corporations, and the  
21 certificate of incorporation shall provide for the  
22 qualifications for membership in such class, and

23 c. one class composed of state entities, including, but  
24 not limited to, the Oklahoma Center for the

1 Advancement of Science and Technology, the Oklahoma  
2 Department of Commerce, the Oklahoma Department of  
3 Career and Technology Education, and the Oklahoma  
4 State Regents for Higher Education;

5 4. Provide for classes of associate membership which shall not  
6 have representation on the Board of Directors of OAME, except as  
7 provided in paragraph 5 of this subsection;

8 5. Provide that the Board of Directors of OAME shall consist of  
9 ~~five~~ nine representatives of members who shall be individuals  
10 elected at the first annual meeting of OAME by members of the class  
11 composed of small and medium-sized manufacturing firms, and four  
12 representatives of members who shall be individuals elected at the  
13 first annual meeting of OAME by members of the class composed of  
14 large corporations. The Board of Directors also shall include the  
15 ~~President~~ following state governmental representatives as ex officio  
16 members: the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Center for the  
17 Advancement of Science and Technology, the Executive Director of a  
18 designee from the Oklahoma Department of Commerce, the Director of  
19 and a designee from the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology  
20 Education and the Chancellor of Higher Education as ex officio  
21 ~~members~~ (CareerTech). The bylaws of OAME may provide for designees  
22 who may serve in the place of any of the directors and the terms  
23 under which any such designation will be made. The Board of  
24 Directors shall have the power to elect, from time to time, persons

1 to serve as directors who are associate members or are not  
2 affiliated with any entity or firm which qualifies for membership in  
3 OAME, provided that no more than ~~three (3)~~ one of such persons shall  
4 serve on the Board of Directors at any time;

5 6. Have the authority to set membership dues in an amount to be  
6 determined by the Board of Directors. No participating state entity  
7 shall pay membership dues;

8 7. Provide for all powers necessary or appropriate to carry out  
9 and effectuate its corporate purposes, including, but not limited  
10 to, the following:

11 a. to maintain an office at such place or places as it  
12 may designate,

13 b. to make and execute contracts with any individual,  
14 corporation, association or any other entity and all  
15 other instruments necessary or convenient for the  
16 performance of its duties and the exercise of its  
17 powers and functions under this act,

18 c. to receive funds from any source to carry out the  
19 purposes of this act, including, but not limited to,  
20 gifts or grants from any department, agency or  
21 instrumentality of the United States or of the state  
22 for any purpose consistent with the provisions of this  
23 act,

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- 1           d.   to acquire or sell, convey, lease, exchange, transfer  
2           or otherwise dispose of its property or any interest  
3           therein,  
4           e.   to develop plans and policies to assist small and  
5           medium-sized manufacturing companies in Oklahoma,  
6           f.   to enter into contracts to provide assistance to small  
7           and medium-sized manufacturing companies, including,  
8           but not limited to, the following categories:  
9           (1)   technology,  
10           (2)   human resources development,  
11           (3)   market planning,  
12           (4)   finance, and  
13           (5)   inter-firm collaboration,  
14           g.   to assist other organizations providing general  
15           business assistance to small and medium-sized  
16           manufacturing enterprises,  
17           h.   to establish manufacturing quality and standards  
18           certification programs, setting minimum standards and  
19           issuing certification to companies meeting such  
20           standards,  
21           i.   to develop and distribute information about  
22           manufacturing modernization and assistance that is  
23           available to support efforts to improve the abilities  
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1 of small and medium-sized firms to produce and market  
2 higher value-added products,

3 j. to establish a system to evaluate the effectiveness  
4 and efficiency of services provided to small and  
5 medium-sized manufacturing firms,

6 k. to establish and operate, directly or under contract,  
7 an information system designed to access resources  
8 that will assist the firms to become more productive,

9 l. establish a training program for individuals working  
10 on behalf of small and medium-sized manufacturing  
11 firms, and

12 m. to establish special educational and informational  
13 programs for its members.

14 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

15 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
16 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
17 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
18 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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20 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT, dated  
21 02/13/2025 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.