


To: Jeannette Mageo, Ph.D.  
Chair, Faculty Senate

From: Tammy D. Barry, Ph.D.   
Co-chair, Centers, Institutes, and Laboratories (CILs) Task Force

Date: January 17, 2019

RE: Centers, Institutes, and Laboratories (CILs) Task Force Report and Recommendations

On behalf of my CILs Task Force co-chairs, Dr. Babu John Mariadoss and Dr. Andrea Lazarus, and the rest of the CILs Task Force members, I am submitting the task force's final report and recommendations for approval by the Faculty Senate. We ask that it be placed on the January 24, 2019 agenda for initial discussion. Once approved, it is the intention for these new policies and procedures to replace the existing policies and procedures for establishing, reviewing, and renewing centers and institutes.

The CILs Task Force is co-sponsored by the Office of Research and the Faculty Senate and is composed of faculty representing diverse disciplines, drawn from different academic colleges across the multi-campus system. This report was developed through meetings of the CILs Task Force and its subcommittees, which formally began in November 2017. Quarterly meetings were set with the Office of Research to provide updates and obtain feedback from the Vice President for Research and the Associate Deans for Research from the academic colleges. Regular updates also have been provided to the Faculty Senate Steering Committee. Updates on the report have been vetted through the offices of the Vice President for Research, the Provost, and the President. To obtain final feedback, two town halls were held in late Fall 2018 (announced to the full University committee with specific invitations to current center/institute directors) and a presentation of the report was made to the Dean's Council. The report was also shared with the Chancellors at that time. The task force has worked to include as much feedback as possible while also meeting the original charge of the charter and keeping the policies and procedures consistent throughout the report.

As per the charter, this report is simultaneously being submitted to the Faculty Senate Steering Committee, the Vice President for Research, and the Provost.

*Attachments:* CILs Task Force report is attached.