The following motion was approved at the May 4, 2018 Special Session meeting of the George Mason University Faculty Senate.

MOTION TO PAUSE FUNDING OF GIFTS WITH TEMPORARY SUPPORT OF PERMANENT POSITIONS

Whereas it may be common practice to use temporary philanthropic funds to support the creation of permanent, tenure-line positions, but the long-term implications of this practice are currently unknown;

Therefore, be it resolved that:

The Faculty Senate recommends that the University put a temporary halt on any actual or planned expenditure of funds from any new gifts of this nature, until an external review of all gift acceptance processes is concluded, and further information and recommendations are available regarding the use of temporary funds to support permanent faculty positions at the University.