Each group discussed the various retention ideas they came up with and these are listed below:

**Group 1**
- Implement priority registration
  - Priority reg but with specific gpa requirements
- Reward for goal completion
- Initiative to target African American Males to increase retention in under rep group
  - AA males are less likely to be retained - anecdotal
- Create a student ombudsman

**Group 2**
- Student Self-Service / One stop viewing
- Mentoring
- Priority Registration
  - Tied to completed credits
  - 3 tiers possibly
- First Year Experience
- Reward system - (last term free concept)
- Ombudsman
- Cohort system - Students assigned to a specific SSS

**Group 3**
- Learning Communities / Cohort Groups
- Orientation & First Year Experience
- Information Distribution / Portal concept
- Student Financial Barriers
- Attendance / administrative drop
There were definite patterns and overlaps in the ideas, so these were grouped into various “categories” as listed below:

Combined groups

- **Student experience**
  - First year experience course
    - Program related
  - Orientation
  - Mentoring
- **Expanded Technology**
  - Info portal
    - What resources to make available?
  - Self service/one stop
    - How feasible / what is possible
  - Financial
- **Policy**
  - Priority reg
    - How are other Community colleges implementing?
  - Admin drop
    - Any other schools doing this, best practices?
  - Reward System
    - Maybe some potential ideas / suggestions
  - Ombudsman
- **Cohort/learning groups**
  - AA Males
  - Programs/area of interest (Mott Middle model)
  - Social/Community
    - Thoughts / suggestions on what we could do here at Mott

Our next meeting is going to be December 3rd, 3:00 PM in RTC1107.

At our next meeting we will take one of the above categories and flesh out what the strategic recommendations for that are (what they mean, how would they be measured, etc).