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Dr. Quentin A. Christian became the organization's first full-time Executive Director in 1985. He continued working out of the UT office space in the Anna Hiss Gym until the university began discussing demolishing the building. Quentin then negotiating and relocating TAHPERD to an office building in north Austin. Quentin received his bachelor's, master's, and doctorate degrees from East Texas State University, now known as Texas A&M University Commerce. Before coming to TAHPERD, Quentin taught at the University of Mississippi. He brought many unique skills to TAHPERD in addition to the required business and financial abilities. He took pride in producing the association's journal, focusing on the photographic darkroom and "laying out" each page of the journal. Quentin led TAHPERD in partnerships with the American Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (AAHPERD) and many other state and national associations. Dr. Christian retired in 2002.