## Pat Devaney Secretary Treasurer Illinois AFL-CIO

On December 4, 2019, Pat Devaney was elected as the Secretary Treasurer of the Illinois AFL-CIO by the 35 members of the state federation executive board. Prior to his election, he served as an Illinois AFL-CIO Vice President for over 11 years.

Pat started as a firefighter for the Champaign Fire Department in 1995. He quickly became involved in the union movement as a member of the Champaign Firefighters IAFF Local 1260 and was elected as to their executive board during his second year on the job. Pat served in a variety of Local 1260 Executive Board Positions including 8 years as president of the local.

As a member of the Associated Fire Fighters of Illinois (AFFI) Political Education Committee, Pat became active in politics at the state and local level. He leveraged this experience into being elected as an AFFI Legislative Representative in 2004, spending the next four years lobbying at the state capitol on behalf of the AFFI's 15,000 professional firefighters and paramedics. In 2008, Pat was elected as the President of the AFFI and served in that capacity until transitioning into his current role with the Illinois AFL-CIO. He has a BA in Communications from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale and resides in Champaign.